

Sewer ban shuts down construction



Livermore Mayor Tirsell appeals against ban

Relief is bond sale away

No additional hookups to sewer plants in Livermore or the Valley Community Services District will be allowed until further notice, the Regional Water Quality Control Board decided yesterday.

The unanimous move effectively clamps a building ban on the Valley, although partial relief could be realized by fast action of the Livermore - Amador Valley Water Management Agency (LAVWMA).

The ban, effective immediately, was ordered because the Valley continues to dump sewage into Alameda Creek, where it flows downstream and pollutes the underground water supplies of Fremont. This has been in violation of a federal dumping order since Nov. 2.

RWQCB members followed the sewer hookup ban with a unanimous finding that "construction of facilities is urgently needed to implement the basin plan." This clears the way for LAVWMA to issue revenue bonds without a vote of the people to build the basic residential-capacity wastewater disposal pipeline.

Board members yesterday refused to hear any testimony they felt could have been entered into record at a public hearing conducted by a three-member hearing panel of the RWQCB Dec. 9 in Pleasanton City Council Chambers.

Livermore Mayor Helen Tirsell began to argue the Valley's case, but RWQCB Chairman Louis Martini questioned whether any information she planned to present was new. She said a meeting of the city council held Monday night had given her new data, but Martini debated with legal counsel and other board members over the issue.

Finally Tirsell broke in, saying, "You have spent more time discussing whether I can talk than the time it would take me to read this statement." At that point, Martini yielded the floor.

The mayor requested postponement of the board's order until after LAVWMA and its member agencies could determine the best method to dispose of wastewater, agree on a financing plan and guarantee an alternate funding program.

Persons denied a chance to address the board before a final decision was handed down included Earl Mason, chairman of the Livermore Chamber of Commerce's Industrial Committee; 16-year Livermore resident Leo von Gottfried; and an unidentified man.

Dewey Watson, a San Francisco attorney representing the Great American Land and Development Co., asked RWQCB members to allow issuance of sewer connection permits approved before Nov. 23 but not yet sent out.

The board voted unanimously on two separate motions to impose the cease and desist order, stopping issuance of all sewer connection permits not given out by Nov. 24. LAVWMA officials will hold a meeting of all local elected Valley officials Dec. 30 to discuss further action. Exact time and location has not been announced.

—by Bill Cauble

Murphy ends 16-year run on board

Alameda County Bureau
OAKLAND — A magnanimous John D. Murphy climaxed 16 years on the board of supervisors yesterday by casting a vote that went against his own political philosophy, but carried the wishes of the board's absent majority.

In the weeks since his defeat by Valerie Raymond, Murphy has abstained on votes covering policies he thought should be handled by the incoming board.

He further shocked critics yesterday by not nominating planning commissioner Edward Enos to another two-year term.

Enos' appointment expired two years ago, and, like recently reappointed commissioner Martin Kauffman, he filled his own vacancy when the board failed to appoint a successor.

The board's policy is to limit commissioners to two successive terms.

Leaves a gift for successor

Board chairman Fred Cooper shocked and upset his colleagues last week when he reappointed Kauffman, a 22-year veteran of the commission. Murphy, charged critics, would follow suit this week with Enos.

Instead, he has left it open for Raymond to name Enos' successor, if the board's first woman chooses to replace the veteran commissioner.

He crossed his own political philosophy yesterday when he cast his vote for the absent Charles Santana. Murphy said he "normally wouldn't vote 'yes,' on the matter, but I know Charlie would cast the decisive vote if he were here." The measure, on funding for a medical management service, passed with the minimum three votes required.

Murphy also abstained last week in a controversy over the board's prospective pay hike. He said he knew Raymond was against it, and since he would not be on the board when it took effect, he would defer any decision to her.

But he would not give up the fight for land use rights.

Murphy defended would-be Pleasanton Ridge developer Carl Nipper's proposed project to the end and chided fellow supervisors over their land use decisions.

Murphy, 51, was born in the county and has lived in the district for 27 years. He is a descendant of early Dublin settlers.

He worked real estate starting in 1954, eventually succeeding his partner, Sam Whiting of Pleasanton.

He was tapped by Gov. Edmund G. "Pat" Brown to replace Chester Stanley after the supervisor's death.

Presbyterian controversy still alive

PLEASANTON — The 56-37 vote to not move the Community Presbyterian Church's 100 year old church building from Second and Neal Streets to Mirador Drive may not be final after all.

Some 130 church members on both sides of the question have petitioned the church's 15 member session or governing board to call another meeting of the congregation as a whole and conduct another vote on the question so that more church members will be involved in the session.

The church has more than 800 members and the 93 who voted last Thursday night represent only 11.4 per cent of church membership, according to Howard Neely, who is a spokesperson for the 130 petitioners.

A reliable source also told the Times yesterday there is some question about the clarity of the way the question was phrased at the meeting last Thursday night. Some congregation members thought they were voting on whether or not to move the church, period. Others thought they were voting on whether or not to move it at the low bid of \$560,000, more than \$300,000 over the estimates predicted by the church's building committee.

According to one source, many feel the decision to move the church

had been made earlier this year — by a vote totaling more than 300 members — and subsequent votes were on how to proceed with the move, including whether or not to accept the \$560,000 bid last Thursday night.

As of Sept. 1, the building fund report showed a balance of \$30,317. Payments of pledges received from

VCSD draws staff rules

DUBLIN — Valley Community Services District (VCSD) employees holding designated positions must file disclosure statements revealing certain interests that might conflict with their jobs.

The conflict of interest code was adopted by VCSD directors last night.

Basically, the conflicts involved are those which could foreseeably have a material effect on an employee's financial interests where decision making is concerned.

Directive definitions are based on the Political Reform Act of 1974.

April 1 to Sept. 1 amounted to \$28,053. Although the congregation voted to reject the lowest bidder

Thursday night, the contractor has the option of keeping the bid open until a date in January.



Scrooge

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VALLEY NEWS BRIEFS

People do care

"Operation Santa Claus," the Mental Health Association's drive to help neglected mentally disabled people in the Valley, has been a huge success.

There are enough gifts, from personal care items to clothing, games and sweets, to show the Valley Council for Mental Health clients that people really do care.

For details, see page 4.

Santa's reward

Leshner News Bureau

A 5-year-old boy has turned the tables on Santa Claus. Eric Jackson, son of Jerry and Iris Jackson, Alamo, decided to buy a present for the over-worked Claus on a recent family shopping outing.

He braved the long lines, irate clerks, and crowded gift wrapping counter long enough to buy a Christmas tree ornament. The ornament, appropriately enough was a miniature Santa.

Then Eric stood in line at Santa's Broadway Plaza headquarters and presented his gift.

Santa's immediate response was a cookie, but according to Eric's mother, who has a hotline to the North Pole, Santa will more than return Eric's favor Friday night.

Good scouts

Girl Scout Troop 802 played Santa Claus for handicapped children in Dublin yesterday with heartwarming results.

As part of a merit badge project, the young scouts designed toys as Christmas gifts, then staged a party with games for children at Fredericksen School.

The scouts began preparing for the party last month, producing toys suited for handicapped youngsters.

For details, see page 2.

Braeseke in court

The 20-year-old Dublin man charged in the shooting deaths of his parents and grandfather will return to superior court in Oakland today and withdraw his plea of not guilty by reason of insanity that was entered Monday.

Barry Braeseke, accused of shooting his parents in their 11418 Betlen Drive home Aug. 23, had entered the plea Monday on advice of his attorney, James Leonard Crew of Hayward.

Crew said yesterday he received information shortly after Monday's court date that prompted the return to a simple not guilty plea. He declined to reveal what facts that information contained.

Braeseke's next court date is scheduled for Jan. 6 at 10:30 a.m. in Department 11 on a motion to strike all prosecution evidence in the case, including Braeseke's taped statement in which he admits complicity in the shootings.

Braeseke's co-defendant, David Barker, 16, of San Ramon, will return to superior court Jan. 7 when his attorney will argue that the search on Barker's home was illegal. The search uncovered wallets from two victims in the shootings, plus other physical evidence.

Former Lab chief named to Defense by Carter

PLAINS, Ga. AP — Despite opposition from some powerful Congressional leaders, President-elect Jimmy Carter nominated former Lawrence Livermore Laboratory chief Harold Brown, 49, to be the next Secretary of Defense.

Brown, who was the Lab's director for 10 months in 1960-61, is currently the president of California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

He joined the Lawrence Livermore Lab at its inception in 1952. Brown replaced Dr. Edward Teller, father of the hydrogen bomb, as Lab director.

He was an Alamo resident. Brown, 49, president of the California Institute of Technology here, was a Kennedy administration "whiz kid," one of a score of young civilian advisers who held powers of persuasion in the Kennedy and Johnson years.

A nuclear physicist, he served in the Pentagon from 1961 to 1965 as di-



Harold Brown

rector of defense research. In 1965, President Johnson named Brown secretary of the Air Force, a post he held for four years.

During those years he came to be called "Dr. No" because of his repeated rejections of costly defense systems.

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Homeowners think study is garbage

LIVERMORE — A measurement of attitudes toward garbage collection methods and recycling may be scuttled after the city learned attitudes towards the poll itself were sour.

City Manager Bill Parness told the city council Monday letters were sent by Oakland Scavenger Company's local division, Livermore - Dublin Disposal Co., to almost 400 homes to explain a proposed pilot study.

The pilot plan would involve curbside pick up of plastic bags sold by the garbage company. Instead of paying a monthly rate, homes would purchase the bags which would be picked up on a regular basis.



Bryan Archer enjoys Tami Johnston's gift

Toys and games for kids

Troop 802 plays Santa Claus

DUBLIN — Girl Scout Troop 802 dished out a heartwarming portion of Christmas spirit yesterday providing specially designed games, toys and a party for handicapped children from East County Development Center.

The 32 girls in troop 802, ages 9 to 12, made the items as a service project in connection with earning merit badges. They combined two projects recommended in the Girl Scout manual. One was for toy-making; the other for planning a party for the handicapped.

They presented the arti-

cles to 20 handicapped children while having a Christmas party for them at Frederiksen School.

In November, the young ladies began making plans and working on their projects. They made a lot of toys and games while spending the day at Twin Canyon Camp in Lafayette.

Sponges were carved into animal shapes. Several things were made from yarn. Stuffed toys were double bagged so if one lady was torn, stuffin would remain intact.

A ring-toss game was constructed from a box

with smooth wooden spindles placed upright. Metal jar rings served as objects to be tossed.

A large, flat piece of styrofoam was cut out, shaped and decorated to resemble Santa Claus. A gaping hole represented his mouth. Small bean bags were made to pitch through it.

A teacher from the center for the handicapped provided helpful information to the Girl Scouts. They learned what shapes, sizes and materials would be best for making the children's games and toys. Safety factors were dis-

cussed along with general problems. Personalities of individual children were mentioned. This helped the girls determine what would be most interesting to each child.

But until yesterday, none of the Girl Scouts had met any of the handicapped children.

"I learned there are a lot of kids like this," said Kim Daniel, holder of 38 merit badges.

All of the young ladies participated in showing the children how to use the toys. They watched as each

child tested their skills at the games.

Two skits were given by the scouts as entertainment. Then a small Christmas tree was brought out. Presents made by the Girl Scouts were given to the children. Candy canes and other refreshments were served.

The leader of troop 802 is Betty Samuli. Co-leaders are Billie Daniel, Mable Roberts and Nancy Pozzebon.

Some of the girls attend Walnut Grove School; others, Harvest Park.

—By Sue Vogelsanger

For sale: Oakland Tribune

Alameda County Bureau
OAKLAND — It's official. The Oakland Tribune is for sale.

Opposing factions in the family dispute over the potential sale of the 102-year-old newspaper agreed yesterday to stipulations that empower Emelyn K. Jewett, director and president of the Tribune Publishing Co., to search for a qualified buyer at a reasonable price.

Majority stockholder Joseph R. Jay Knowland III had pegged the asking price at \$25 million.

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Robert H. Kroninger

accepted the compromise and extended for 90 days injunctions against both sides that prevent changes in stock control or corporate officers.

Mrs. Jewett and editor - publisher Joseph W. Knowland led a suit against majority stockholders Eleanor K. Lion and J. R. Knowland III. The two factions reportedly reached the agreement just 10 minutes before the hearing to block any sale.

Asked if this means the end of the Knowland family's involvement in newspaper publishing, Mrs. Jewett said, "That's a fair assumption." She and her brother Joseph W.

Knowland might join in management under the new owners "depending on who the buyers are," she added.

She said she would "proceed in the best interests of all shareholders" to get the best price for the publishing company and The Tribune Building Co., which owns the plant where the newspaper is published.

Depositions taken last week show that Emerson Wiser, acting as an agent for Mrs. Lion and Jay Knowland, contacted Capital Cities Communications Inc. of New York.

—by Ron Rodriguez

Brown named

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Through the Vietnam war, Brown managed to avoid being labeled "dove" or "hawk" and steered clear of battles over war policy.

An expert on nuclear arms and an advocate of their control, Brown was named in 1969 by former President Richard M. Nixon to the American delegation to the Strategic Arms Limitations Talks — SALT — with the Soviets.

Brown has been a strong defender of the 1972 SALT agreement, calling it "A very substantial first step toward enhancing the security of both sides and of all the world." He is associated with the U.S. delegation working on a SALT II agreement.

Brown contends stronger ties between the United States and the Soviet Union "have reduced the risk of turning this planet into a thermonuclear inferno."

His support of SALT and détente have reportedly alienated Sens. Henry Jackson, D-Wash., and John C. Stennis, D-Miss., who feel the United States came out of SALT on the short end.

But Brown scoffs at claims that the Soviet Union has gained a dangerous edge in the nuclear arms race. "I'm convinced that small differences in these numbers and some qualities make very little difference in the balance of power," he has said.

As Air Force secretary, Brown was strongly involved in the early work

that led to the development of the B1 bomber.

Brown is a member of the Board of Directors of IBM and Beckman Instruments, both major defense contractors.

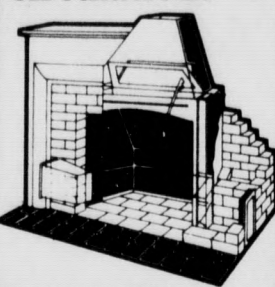
He was born in New York City and received his bachelor's degree in 1945 and Ph.D. in physics in 1949.

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Judge answers critic

LIVERMORE — Livermore Municipal Court Judge Mark Eaton yesterday responded to criticism over his decision to release a suspected armed robber from jail on his own recognizance without a court hearing.

Robert Leong, a Livermore resident present at the Emperor's Garden Restaurant Friday night when it was held up, wrote Eaton a three-page letter complaining that the suspect's release might be an example of "leniency of our courts."

An employee at the restaurant phoned attorney John Noonan after the arrest, who interceded on the suspect's behalf and requested Judge Eaton to release him on his own recognizance.

Eaton called police and asked questions on the suspect's background and his chance of appearing in court if released. Satisfied at the answers, Eaton ordered the man released.

Leong said "the owner, employees, and friends of the Emperor's Garden were — and still are — very upset after they learned of the suspect's release through the newspaper articles."

Eaton wrote that "whether a suspect should be released on his own recognizance or if not the amount of bail that should be set depends on two factors; first

whether he will appear at court hearings and second the danger to the community of releasing the suspect."

"Obviously, the more serious the crime, the more we can presume he will not appear and/or is a danger to the community and therefore certainly the less likely it should be that he should be released on his own recognizance, and in fact the higher bail should be set."

Eaton said police "are in the best position by their training and expertise to give an opinion as to the suspects reliability and demeanor."

The judge said he phoned Det. Sgt. Bill Bankert and questioned him "very closely" about the suspect. "He assured me that he had checked the man's record, had observed his behavior and from all his observations felt confident that the suspect should be released."

The suspect voluntarily appeared at the public defender's office Monday and again Tuesday. Eaton ordered the suspect interviewed by a pre-trial service expert, who recommended he be released pending trial.

"To put the matter in better focus, if the release incident had not occurred the suspect would have remained in custody until being brought into court on Monday." With no objection from police, "it is likely he would have been released pending trial on Monday."

—by Bill Cauble

Seikowatches. His and Hers.

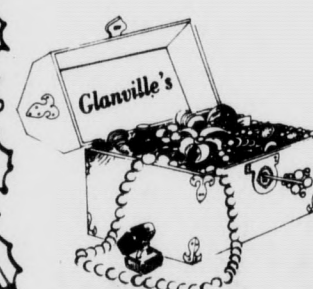
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Happy ending

Citizens Against a Garbage Environment, a group formed several years ago to prevent Kaiser Sand and Gravel's intention to put a sanitary landfill in its pits, went out of business yesterday and donated its remaining treasury to the Pleasanton Emergency Fund Center. Shirley Casterson received the check on behalf of the fund center while CAGE officials Jo Harding, Jim Trimming-

ham, CAGE attorney Joe Schwab, and Bill Jamieson participate in the ceremony. The CAGE account was closed out at \$742 and presented to the charity. Schwab remarked, "It's going from one good cause to another. Instead of being used for fighting garbage it will go feed people."

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Max Says: He has a good selection of last minute gift items to round out your shopping list. Here are just a few suggestions that he has in stock now...

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SR exec intern visits Civic Arts

Civic Arts Education hosted a group of high school Executive Interns for a discussion and tour by its resident intern, Lauri Warnock of San Ramon.

Meet set for school volunteers

The first state conference on school volunteers will be held on January 20-21 at the Airport Hilton Inn in Oakland.

The title and theme for this conference is "Volunteers in Education: An Era of Change/You Can Make the Difference."

Objectives of the conference are to provide new directions in the role of today's volunteers in education, according to Wilson Riles, state Superintendent of Public Instruction, and to help develop an awareness of the professional responsibilities and contributions of school volunteers.

The conference begins Thursday, Jan. 20 with registration from 8 to 9 a.m.

The opening session from 10:30 to 12 on Jan. 20 will feature David Cooper, a Livermore teacher, discussing "Learning Channels: How Children Learn." This will be a multi-media presentation of how children learn how to identify modality strengths and how to teach to these strengths, according to the conference brochure.

Later, in the same session, Kay Honodel, school volunteer coordinator for the Livermore Valley Unified School District, will focus on "Getting It Off the Ground," initiating and operating a school volunteer program in a small, suburban or rural district. She will make the presentation in cooperation with Karen Rutke, a school volunteer coordinator for the Pleasanton Joint School District.

During a Friday, Jan. 21 session, scheduled between 1:30 and 3, Manuel Perry of Lawrence Livermore Laboratory will be part of a presentation on business and industry's involvement in education.

The panel will discuss successful programs such as In-Step, Banking Exploration, Electronics Workshop, and Community Career Education. Among the other subjects to be discussed by educators and business leaders at the conference are training tutors for effective programs, planning for effective conferences and workshops, older volunteers/how to build a program, metric activities, puppets/look at all the skills they develop, developing a motor skills program, cooperation between parent groups and volunteer programs, workshop on community resource programs, career education, and expanding the role of the secondary school coordinator.

dents in San Ramon School District's Executive Internship program which gives students a close-up inside look at administrative operations of Bay Area companies and organizations such as Civic Arts. The internship program is national, and interns will go to Washington for a visit and conferences sometime next year.

During her presentation Lauri explained the Civic Arts Education program as she experienced it, discussing her responsibilities at

Civic Arts and the importance of arts education in the community. She led a tour through the program's facilities and then challenged her fellow interns with a fictionalized case study from Civic Arts operations.

Since October Lauri has been spending four days each week assisting Community Arts Supervisor Lisa Bennett in the Arts Education Offices. She's attended staff meetings, helped with routine procedures as well as various

special projects.

"It's all much more involved than I expected," she said. "Administration is a lot more complicated than I ever thought. I had a hand dealing with all kinds of problems like budgeting and maintenance; it's more complex than I realized it would be."

Lauri was chosen along with 20 other students in her school district for the program. After four days "on the job" the interns

meet each Friday for seminars to share their experiences and discuss problems and questions. They will return to regular classes in late January, but will be used as resource people for the next group of interns.

"Arts Education has certainly benefitted from Lauri's participation," said her supervisor, Lisa Bennett. "She brought fresh ideas, objective observations and candid suggestions to our program. We all learned from the experience."



Intern Lauri Warnock spends four days a week at Civic Arts.

Livermore's 'Tiny Tim' and ACT spur 'A Christmas Carol' drama

"Nutcracker" isn't the only Christmas tradition anymore. The American Conservatory Theatre (ACT) in San Francisco has made such a hit with their exquisite hour and a half-long stage version of "A Christmas Carol" that theatre-watchers are already predicting it will become a tradition like the "Nutcracker" ballet.

Livermore's redheaded, 10-year-old Todd Hurley plays the prominent role of Tiny Tim in the new ACT play. Todd is in ACT's Young Conservatory, a training school for children who like acting. Some of the students play child roles in regular ACT shows, but are not paid.

"A Christmas Carol" was written by Charles Dickens with the intention of showing well-off Victorian English people how undeservedly the desperately poor were suffering. The ACT version concentrates heavily on the conversion of Ebenezer Scrooge from a selfish, cold-hearted rich businessman to a generous and much happier person.

William Paterson has a repertoire of dark little sneers and grunts and "Bah! Humbug" to chill the heart. He mercilessly persecutes his lone employee, Bob Cratchit (James R. Winker) until a procession of remarkable ghosts, and a fast-

changing pageant of memories, turns him into a humbler man.

There was barely a dry eye in the house as Tiny Tim lay still and dead, his father describing his gravesite, his mother sewing on a shroud and the brothers and sisters reading from the Bible.

Other especially captivating scenes included the appearance of four "Ghosts of Christmas Past" dressed in the most ethereal of pastel satins and standing in a pool of dappled light.

Fezziwig's famous warehouse comes alive in one warm and loving scene; another stunning tableau shows people celebrating Christmas at sea, in a coal mining village, in a humble home and in a wealthy one.

"Christmas Carol" is sold out through Christmas, but a few second balcony seats are available after that.

Our advice: Because of the numerous children's speaking parts, which are scarcely audible in the far reaches of the Geary Theatre, hold out for a seat close to the stage.

Even if you have to wait till next season.

—by Pat Kennedy

Valley 'Y' plans tot activities

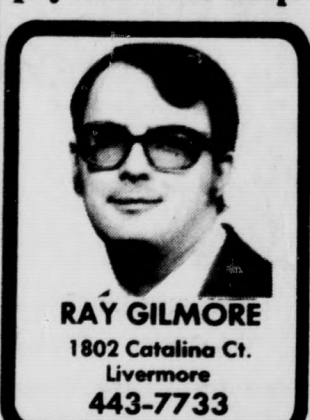
Children in kindergarten through third grade may enjoy the YMCA's Winter Fun Club Dec. 27-31.

Sponsored by Twin Valley YMCA, the day camp will provide a multitude of activities for children on vacation, including roller skating, leather crafts, games, nature outing and archery.

Highlight of the week will be a trip to the Tactile Room at the Exploratorium in San Francisco. Reservations must be made months in advance for the Tactile Room because of its popularity with children, but the "Y" has set up all arrangements for the Fun Club.

Fee for the five days of activity is \$19 for "Y" members, or \$24 for non-members. Children bring a sack lunch each day, and the "Y" provides a drink.

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Seniors' role in 2000

Chabot explores woes of elderly

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Do the elderly really need and want to retire when they reach 65? What will it be like to be a "senior citizen" in the year 2000?

These are just a few of

the questions that will be discussed in a Principles of Gerontology Class (Sociology 30A-93) which will be offered by Chabot College Valley Campus starting Wednesday, Jan. 5, 1977 from 7 to 9:50 p.m.

The course will focus on the effects of stereotyping older people, and the changes that take place in the body, mind and social life as one ages. The problems of health and housing will be explored as well as

the role that government and the community play in helping the elderly remain independent.

Guest speakers, older adults themselves and audio-visual materials will all be utilized to make the subject as meaningful as possible. This class applies toward the continuing education requirement for Registered Nurse relicensing as well as for Nursing Home Administrators.

The teacher, Isabel Mendonsa, received her Master's Degree from Holy Names College where she majored in gerontology. She has had a variety of experiences working with and for seniors in Contra Costa County.

Employed by the Area Agency on Aging there, as an information and referral senior aide, she deals daily with meeting the needs of older adults.

Students can register on Tuesday, Dec. 28 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Chabot Valley Campus, 3033 Collier Canyon Rd., Livermore. Registration will also be permitted the first week of instruction if openings exist.

The History of Art (Art 1B-VI) from the early medieval period to 17th century baroque will be taught by Tom Gates at Chabot Valley Campus on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m.

Class lectures will be augmented by slides, films, and field trips to museums. Gates is a trained museum curator and has organized several exhibitions in Bay Area museums. He will offer insight into museum collections, the care and handling of art objects, and

will demonstrate traditional methods of painting and use of materials.

Students may also register Tuesday, Dec. 28, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Valley Campus, 3033 Collier Canyon Rd., Livermore.

A creative writing class (English 42B-91) will be offered by Chabot Valley Campus beginning Thursday, Jan. 6 at Granada High School, 7 to 9:50 p.m. in Room 203.

The course is designed to combine the creative process with the art of writing. Beginning exercises center on freeing perception, expanding awareness, sharpening the senses, and writing spontaneously.

The class will explore the craft and the techniques of fiction, such as sentence dynamics, imagery, metaphor, and symbolism.

The final hour of each three-hour session is devoted to class feedback on student writing.

Students can register Dec. 28 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Valley Campus or during the first week of instruction (starting Jan. 3) at Granada High School.



VA Hospital scene

Visitors to the Veterans Administration Hospital in Livermore may be greeted by this "circle of flags" which will be displayed on patriotic holidays and other special occasions. Here, choirboy Christmas decorations add to the display. The colorful circle features flags of the 13 original states. Some were donated by state senators, at the request of Vets Hospital voluntary services chief William D. Troxell. The rest were purchased to fill out the collection. Jan. 20, Inauguration Day, will be the next occasion on which the circle of flags may be seen. (Times photo)

Amador adult ed plan grows

More than 127 classes will be offered by the Amador Adult Education Program during the winter quarter, starting Monday, Jan. 3.

A tentative schedule of classes, 15 of which are new, will be distributed to schools and a finalized schedule will be distributed during the week of Dec. 27. From an enrollment of 800 one-and-one-half years ago, Amador Adult Education has grown to an enrollment of 2,097 this last quarter.

Starting with one site, Amador Valley High School, the program is now offering classes at more than eight different locations in the valley. This past quarter classes

were scheduled at Parks, Komandorski Village, Pleasanton Greens, Pleasanton Convalescent Hospital, Dublin School, Pleasanton School, and Dublin and Foothill High Schools.

Any questions on the program, either as a teacher or student, should be directed to the Amador Adult Education office at 462-5500.

Mike Connolly is Coordinator of Adult Education.

Nutcracker ballet set at Chabot

Sugarplum fairies and a princely nutcracker will grace the stage of the Chabot College-Community Auditorium Monday, Dec. 27.

The Oakland Ballet Company will present the seasonal delight, Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Ballet, in two performances, at 2 p.m. and at 8 p.m. Tickets for the programs are \$3, \$4, and \$5 for reserved seats available at the Chabot College Box Office.

For reservations call 782-3000, Ext. 202, between noon and 5 p.m. Tickets are also available through Macy's, Capwell's or the Emporium box offices.

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Swamped with gifts for their needy clients: (from left) Jenny Wallerstein, Elva Cooper, Carina Stallings, Paul Carey, Pat Waggle.

Lonely people pleas spark warm response

Some of the Valley's loneliest people will be having an unexpectedly happy holiday this year, thanks to the generosity of those who donated to

their 30 clients. So many donations poured in that there will be some to share with about five more mental patients who sometimes come to

most forgotten and rejected people in the Valley.

Christmas is "just another day" to them, or so they try to pretend — as their depression deepens in contrast to the merriment around them.

"Operation Santa Claus" is an attempt to provide these people with some of the everyday necessities they can't afford, from shampoo to nylons; and a few treats, perhaps a deck of cards or a paperback book.

This year, individuals and organizations donated enough personal care items for everyone to receive a generous supply. In addition, there were sweaters, socks, pajamas and other "lovely clothing," according to therapist Pat Waggle.

— by Pat Kennedy

Poem says thanks

Jenny Wallerstein is a volunteer worker with the Valley Mental Health Center's Creative Living group. The generosity of Valley people prompted her to write this poem of thanks:

*"Twas the day before Christmas, and all through the clinic,
The spirit of giving would astound e'en a cynic.
For the folks of this valley had been willing to share
Their love and concern to those in our care.
Their generous gifts have filled Santa's sleigh
And will bring joy and happiness on Christmas Day.*

the Mental Health Association's "Operation Santa Claus."

Workers at the Valley Mental Health Center on Hopyard Road are all aglow at the colorful sight of mounds of brightly wrapped Christmas gifts, carefully selected and tagged to fit the needs of each of

the clinic but who don't participate in the regular Creative Living Group.

According to Mental Health Center staff members, the former inmates of state mental hospitals, now living in local board and care homes or cheap rented rooms, are some of the

Fire officials warn on Christmas trees

Your local fire department reminds you to be sure your Christmas lights are in good condition before use this holiday season.

Never use Christmas lights marked "indoor use only" for installation outside.

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If you are thinking about decorating with an artificial tree this Christmas, your local fire department

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Growth control concept eyed in new state housing guides

The Petaluma plan for a controlled growth rate may be a thing of the past depending on how new state housing guidelines are interpreted, an attorney for the Associated Building Industries believes.

The state is considering guidelines requiring every city to accept its fair share of the regional housing burden of population, said ABI attorney Charles Kinney. There has been much talk in the past of valley communities accepting their fair share of the low and

moderate income population, but this is the first time there has been talk of accepting all income levels and at a proportional share of the new household needs in a city, not by a predetermined growth rate.

One of the keys, said Kinney, will depend on how the state defines the region. So far the guidelines, which still are in draft form, defines the region as that "geographical unit within which local interaction has resulted in an economic and social interdependence

with respect to the provision of housing, employment and service opportunities," said Kinney.

In Kinney's view, that means a commute area and in California that's a half hour drive, or about 30 miles. So the valley definitely would have Hayward and Walnut Creek in its region and possibly Oakland and San Jose, said Kinney.

It appears to Kinney that a community's rate of growth under those guide-

lines would not be tied into the E0 population growth rate figures set by the Environmental Protection Agency, but rather would depend on the boundaries of the "population region" and how many communities are dividing the shares of providing new households.

ABI spoke at a public hearing in San Francisco recently when the state Department of Housing and Community Development held hearings.

City won't contest court OK on sewers

PLEASANTON — Circumstances in the Schlies suit were unique and settlement of it should leave no fears of future litigation, Dr. Edward Schlies' attorney, Alan Grossman, told The Times Monday.

The city council voted last week 3-1 to not appeal the award of 11 sewer connections to Schlies by Judge Robert Bostick in Alameda County Superior Court.

Councilman William Herlihy was the lone dissenter in the council vote. He told The Times that he felt Judge Bostick was wrong and that the effect of Bostick's decision would be to permit anyone else in the fringe area between the

VCSD Sewer Treatment Plant and the Sunol Sewer Treatment Plant to get their boundaries changed by the courts so that they would be able to sewer into the city's plant on Sunol Boulevard.

Grossman said he doubted whether anyone else on a holding tank could qualify as a result of the judgment awarded his client.

"You can't just be on the boundaries, but you must have a holding tank with certain commitments held (by the city) to a non-developer. The court said Schlies is a non-developer and that puts him in a different category than the developers who signed the 1972 sewer agreement."

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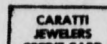
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Letters to Santa

CHRISTMAS IS FOR KIDS, who never cease to renew the excitement of the holiday for work-weary adults. These letters were among the many received at the post offices in Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin and answered by the Camp Fire Girls of the Discovery Club. That club, composed of girls of junior high school age, has been helping Santa with his mail for the past four years. Karleta Atkinson of Pleasanton was moderator of the project. (Sorry, but the "elves" cannot answer any more letters.)

Dear Santa
May I please have
Thunder shirt 500?
How is Rudolph's nose?
Love
Kevin

lifestyle

Dear Santa,
How are you? I Love
you a lot. I like the North
Pole where you live. I would
like for Christmas Hush a
baby, Snoopy dog, Piggy Bank,
Erinas, neckless and bracelet.
And my sister and Brother
would like some toys.

Love
Heather
Gray

Dear Santa Claus.
How are you doing?
And how is Mrs. Claus?
I hope you can make
this Christmas. I'm
looking forward to seeing
you. I like every Christmas
I have. I like your toys
a lot too. And I would like
for Christmas a Flying
Aces, Sweatshirt, red and white
and a Green machine.

P.S.
And you have a merry
merry Christmas
Love Cameron
Elder

Dear Santa My name is

Michelle I am 7 years old.
Please bring me

Life Like Baby
Baby Doll

Barbie's town houses

Bunks CARRIAGE
Table and chair set.

Thank you

Merry Merry
XMAS

I am going to
Put out cookies and milk
for you love
Michelle

Dear Santa
Claus I hope
you will
Bring me a
Baby That
Away and
a Raggedy Ann
toothbrush
Love Cindy

Dear Santa Claus,
This year I would
like for Christmas
Hush Lil' Baby.

I wish you a
merry Christmas.
(Mrs. Claus,
and the elves too.)

Love Jessica
Jack

Dear Santa,
I want nineteen
hot wheels
Love Garry

The Times

Editorial and Feature Page

John B. Edmonds, Editor and Publisher

Saving us

The recent expressions of joy from those who "worked long and hard" to bring the SAVE initiative to final victory is understandable. The political rhetoric from some of those same sources is not.

We would not attempt to debate here the ongoing question of "growth versus the environment," or to review the many "freezes" now imposed on new construction throughout the Valley, by any number of agencies or policies.

The 1972 campaign to "Save All Valley Environment" was a valid issue for its time. Much of its thrust, and virtually all of its restraints, have become moot in today's complex of environmental restraints.

What is still very much alive however is the right of the people to seek regress through the initiative process. If that is what the California courts were saying in their recent decision upholding SAVE, then it is an important finding, and on we might all celebrate. But not without some misgivings. Our celebration must be tem-

pered by the knowledge that the initiative is only needed where other, traditional avenues of government seem to be failing. A healthy community, governed by enlightened representatives of the people, does not need recourse to the initiative process which, at best, is divisive, costly and — given the inevitable court appeal — an outside determination to a local problem.

To consider such an approach for even a community's major local decisions is to envision a horrendous mess, a city bogged down in litigation, a government unable to function.

Again, in none of this do we mean to put down the enthusiasm of those who argue for "the right of popular dissent." Neither do we suggest that the initiative process might not be needed again, as the last desperate expression of the public's will.

But we are all best served when the full democratic process works, from ballot box to board meeting. That is what home rule is all about, and that must always be the goal of an enlightened citizenry.

A happy ending

One of the more successful grass roots' campaigns of recent memory was that which brought a handful of Valley citizens into conflict with a corporate giant. The issue was garbage. The scene was those depleted gravel pits.

For two years CAGE (Citizens Against a Garbage Environment) battled Kaiser Industries. Through countless hearings, buffeted by one bureaucracy after another, the band of localites refused to accept Kaiser's reasoning that those gravel pits had no better use than to become "the Bay Area's garbage dump."

Recently, the gravel industries which mine some 2500 acres in the heart of this basin revealed their own long-term "reclamation plan" for those depleted pits. Garbage was not among the proposals.

Citizens Against a Garbage Environment had won their battle. This Valley had gained something even more — acknowledgement from those extractors that the quarry industry has a higher responsibility to this land than just the expediency of profit.

This week CAGE closed its books. Its mission accomplished. But then there was the matter of some \$800 still remaining in that committee's campaign fund. Yesterday, CAGE met one more time, at the First National Bank of Pleasanton, and handed its \$800 balance over to the Pleasanton Emergency Fund for distribution throughout 1977 to local families in need.

There's one story of "Community Activism" that just might set an example for all the others. A great script; a terrific ending.

People be damned

County supervisors are apt to complain — "The people don't understand our job, or appreciate the responsibilities we have."

This past week the people of Alameda County found new cause for concern for their Board of Supervisors, and with no indication whatsoever of that agency's desire to act responsibly.

By toying around with some quickie action favoring Harlan Geldermann's "Las Positas New Town" venture, the county board was acting in defiance of a Valley consensus that clearly resists that ambitious development at this time. That opposition was most recently displayed with the election of Valerie Raymond to the board of supervisors.

It is apparent that Ms. Raymond, once installed into that office in January, would offer stout resistance to any hasty approval of the Geldermann venture. By making their move in December, the board would have effectively

bypassed Raymond, and denied this Valley's electoral majority active representation on that vital question.

It now appears the board will be unable to take this eleventh hour action, but only because of legal technicalities, not because of any moral code.

That same restraint does not exist in the board's move to reappoint two members to the Alameda County Planning Commission. Again, action now by these "good old boys" would deny two newly elected members of that board any voice on those appointments — which clearly deserve most intensive questioning.

If county government wonders why the people are often not sensitive to that level of decision making, then county supervisors should start making decisions that are sensitive to the people. Sometimes those guys act like they just don't give a damn.

Hindsight/Foresight

Rev. Jesse push

There has been a very vocal faction pushing for, if not outright demanding or else, that President-elect Jimmy Carter appoint a certain number of blacks and women to his cabinet.

While the transition of power from President Gerald Ford to Carter has been smooth on the surface, the tumult surrounding Carter's appointments have been anything but placid.

The transitional period has not been smooth for Carter in the realm of those appointments, if for no other reason than he has been under tremendous pressure.

The month of November and thus far in December has been a Speculator's Paradise for the news media. And therein rests part of Carter's problem.

Compounding it are the recent pronouncements of one Rev. Jesse Jackson. Jackson and his minions have gone to the point of threatening a picketing of the inaugural ceremonies if the Carter forces do not appoint a black and a woman to the cabinet.

This assumes there are a number of qualified candidates from these segments of the population.

The one woman given the most publicity was Rep. Barbara Jordan of Texas. Apparently, at one point, Jackson practically demanded that she be named Attorney General or Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. There are reports that Congresswoman Jordan coveted a cabinet position and was quite disappointed when she was not named to either of the posts.

That may or may not be true. Congresswoman Jordan is certainly one of the outstanding women leaders of this era, though I would doubt if she needs any assistance from the charismatic Rev. Jesse.

To be frank, the Rev. Jackson is a bit pushy and somewhat of a racist — if all the remarks attributed to him are true.

I'm certain that Mr. Carter and all those close to the seats of power are aware of the prevailing social conditions in the United States. I'm sure he is quite aware of qualifications, the need to form a strong cabinet of persons with no "skeletons," all the while being ever mindful of factions, interest groups and "politics" in general.

It has always been our feeling that when a group or an individual claiming to represent a body of people starts making demands in their name, they are deserving of nothing — other than to be heard.

This feeling harkens back to the early days of the Free Speech Movement at the University of California and the "non-negotiable demands."

Give me a "non-negotiable demand" and you'll get silence — if not my boot!

We, like most other Americans, wish President-elect Carter well and pray that the transitional period is smooth and his term of office successful and instrumental in the rebirth of the American Spirit.

But we can all do without the pushiness of Rev. Jackson and his ilk.

—by AL FISCHER

Letters to the Times

Time of need

Editor, The Times:

Our sincere gratitude is extended to all the people in the valley and some that we do not even know, for your prayers, well wishes and personal involvement during our time of need after our automobile accident Sunday November 21st. We thank God for allowing us to continue to be part of your beautiful and loving community. May God continue to bless all of you.

Bob & Totty Williams, Tracy Williams, Lisa Estrada, Lori Gottschalk, Karen McKinnon, Erin Reardon, Lindsay Jorgenson.

Christmas Seals

Editor, The Times:

I am writing during this 70th Christmas Seal Campaign to thank you for the coverage the Times has given the Lung Association this past year — and to ask your editorial support to encourage readers to contribute to and use Christmas Seals on their holiday mail.

Although Christmas Seals are a seasonal gift, they support year-round services of the Lung Association. Among these services are public education about lung disease, the dangers of smoking, and the causes of pollution; workshops and courses for health professionals on shortness of breath, pediatric pulmonary advances, and new respiratory techniques; "kick-the-habit" clinics for smokers; a respiratory loan bank for patients who would otherwise go without; cardio-pulmonary resuscitation courses for East Bay life guards; and breathing improvement classes for patients with damaged lungs. Christmas Seals support all these Lung Association programs — and more.

Without media support, many people might never learn that these services are available — and might miss out on taking advantage of these opportunities. Our thanks again for your help — and our best wishes for the coming year.

Joel Richert, M.D., President Lung Association of Alameda County

Children's Home

Editor, The Times:

At this time of year, children and families assume a renewed importance amid the hustle and bustle of holiday preparations and the continuing pressures of business and career responsibilities.

In this season of good will and caring,



Golden Gate District of Children's Home Society of California greets you as a valued friend, thanks for your concern and support of our activities this past year, and wishes you great joy and fulfillment now and throughout the coming year.

Richard A. Rikkers, District Director Marilyn LaRocque, Public Relations Director

School needs

Editor, The Times:

A recent letter to the editor concerning mediocrity in our Livermore schools raised the numerous questions which I have been asking since the school district needs assessment in 1974.

When the needs committee finished the goal statements as compiled from 1250 citizens, Mr. Croce immediately began a Bond election campaign based only on the seventh of sixteen prioritized goals. Our cry of anger was ignored. The board patted us all on the head, disbanded the committee, thanked us very much for so nicely assessing our needs for them, and then spent twelve months deciding if they agreed with the public.

Where is the implementation procedure which was promised us by the board after the needs assessment was finished in 1974? Where are the improved reading scores? Where are values placed on citizen input? Where are needs of children being met? Where are talented children being given stimulating work? Where are the distraught cries of teachers being heard? Where are the administrators who see that there are children and not bureaucrats in the classroom?

It is time to provide answers by taking action.

Barbara Hartley, Livermore

Round the town

In Colorado, some make-believe Indians offered their version of "The Snow Dance." On television, Bing Crosby dreamed just once more of his "White Christmas..."

Even President Ford is applying pressure on the Vail Chamber of Commerce to produce some of the white stuff in time for the First Family's final fling on the slopes.

And in your December utility bill, PG&E suggests it would be corporately acceptable if you want to pray for a white winter in the Sierras.

To one born and bred in the stuff, all this sentiment for snow is confusing. If not downright insane.

Oh sure, we prairie people enjoyed our sleigh rides, our outdoor hockey, building tunnels along the fence-line drifts. But there was a limit!

"Will it ever stop?" my poor mother would ask, as she gazed on the white storm that prevailed outside, whilst inside her brood of six raised a storm of another kind... the release of energy pent up after three days of indoor incarceration.

Being snowbound was particularly hard on the youngest of the that six. "Get outside even if you freeze to death!" mother would finally order. "But not you little ones..."

And so the Canadian winter cut me down in many ways. It was not easy to be reminded (by an eager older brother) that my 36 inches of height could be lost forever in 40 inches of snow. There was also an equation, of sorts, that tied age to temperature. Five degrees below freezing meant an indoor sentence for five-year-olds; 15 below and the 15-year-old got to skip school that day.

There was that winter of the 30's, when Fahrenheit dropped to minus 40, chilled beyond measure by a frigid wind.

The snow had blown across our back yard, in a gentle sweep right up onto the back porch. The windows were caked in ice, save where we kids had scraped through to glimpse that awesome sight.

Inside, we were warned away from the back door, while father had already locked and sealed tight the front door against winter's onslaught from that flank. The great furnace in the basement glowed red with the fire that consumed coal almost as fast as we could shovel it in.

I cannot recall how long that storm lasted. I only know I grew up with mixed emotions for snow and ice and wind. It is a confusion of passions that endures even to this day.

Laura Ingalls Wilder writes of that same inner doubt. In the December issue of Reader's Digest. She farmed the Dakota Country, around the turn of the century. It is a thrilling story to read. But not a drama any California housewife would want to experience.

As soon as he was away from the shelter of the barn, the full force of the storm struck him. He could see nothing but a blur of white... he felt smothered. After taking a few steps he could not see the barn. He was alone in a whirling white world.

Anyone who has lived through such a storm, been trapped in that airless vacuum of white, sure as blazes wouldn't be caught "Dreaming of a white Christmas..."

The perils of Laura and Manly Wilder, winter and summer, were the basis on which they gave us that "Little House On The Prairie" tv series. It's a cleaned-up version of the real thing. The housewife looks like she just came out of a band box. The kids all wear matching pinafores.

That's not the way Laura Ingalls Wilder lived it, you can bet.

Wall Stegner tried to tell it like it really is. In his *Wolf Willow*. Published by Viking Press. Not for the faint hearted.

The paralyzing wind hammers drift against eyelids, nose, and lips, and their breath comes in gasps and sobs as they throw things into the wagon... beyond the figures in the squirming dusk the whole visible world moves — no sky, no horizon, no earth no air, only this gray-white streaming, with a sound like a rush of water...

That's the sound of winter on the prairies. The wind that blows down from the Arctic, cutting across Saskatchewan like a knife, ripping apart the Dakotas with a fury beyond our comprehension; sometimes beyond all hope.

Let Bing Crosby sit in that warm studio and dream of his White Christmas. Let Gerald Ford do his Republican Snow Dance across the hills at Vail. There is, after all, always the winter home at Palm Springs to retreat to, when they tire of the white stuff.

But not for those who must call the prairies home, through the long cold winter, surviving as best they can the temps that drop, the winds that won't stop.

I'll take my Santa Claus in a nylon suit, thank you. My ice cubed. My hockey tv tubed.

Christmas in California. It's the greatest.

—by John Edmonds

Zoned to scare

It's time that the city planning industry met the advertising industry. If you have read any of those books analyzing Madison Avenue advertising, you know that one of the biggest motivators on which the ad people base their spiels is fear.

And if you look at why people bother to turn out at planning commission meetings, you will find the same motivator — fear. Residents wonder what's going to happen to their property if something goes in next door to the old homestead or down the block from it.

Unfortunately city planners don't run legal ads which properly convey appeal to fear. They just write about C-C zoning 200 feet down the line from the intersection of Frizbee Lane and Sunshine Street. Get a bland notice like that in the mail or the legal notice column of your newspaper and you'll throw it away.

But with a well-written Madison Avenue ad campaign, you could fill Veterans Memorial Building on your typical zoning item. Here's an example.

"Remember Royal Smathers, the developer that socked it to the residents over in the Stonehenge tract last year? He layed that ticky-tacky five story 456 unit apartment building which blocks out all the sunlight for three blocks in each direction.

"He's back with another proposal, this time in your neighborhood. Do you want your children run over by excess traffic? We ain't just a woofin' neighbor. Show up at 8 p.m. Wednesday night at the city council chambers and if you need more ammunition for arguing, stop by your friendly planning department and ask for Gus, Jim, or Curly. Remember, an informed public is an armed public."

—by Ron McNicoll

Ron McNicoll

NYC fire

There is a little controversy going on in Pleasanton about the fire department. The firefighters feel that the department's structure has taken a wrong turn and that some personalities in the department's administration may not be to their liking. Management thinks the firefighters are being too critical and the real culprit is today's shrinking dollars which mean the city can't hire the full complement of firefighters that it would like.

Citizens are getting in on the act, too, claiming there ought to be some public involvement, perhaps with a committee or commission telling how it would like to see the department run. They argue that it's their houses which will burn down if fire protection is not up to snuff.

Some of the participants might think this has been a red hot (no pun intended) controversy, but it's nothing compared to what has been going on in New York City. In the big city they know how to do things on the grand scale. One of their fire department controversies is no exception.

The city closed down a fire station in a section of Brooklyn known as Northside. It has about 15,000 residents, mostly Polish-American and more than

60 per cent of the population is over 65 years of age. Approximately 90 per cent of the residents own their own homes. It's a stable neighborhood, typically middle American with all the good, traditional values of hard work. It's the kind of neighborhood where a returning serviceman gets a block party in his honor.

But when the city shut down the fire station, they'd had it. They took over the building a little more than a year ago, complete with one fire truck, and haven't surrendered it. They renamed it "People's Fire Station Number One", and lest you think this is a bunch of under-30 radicals, guess again. Their picture, posed with the fire truck, appears in the Village Voice and most of the folks have grey hair and are over 50.

The city tried to take the building back on Thanksgiving Day last year because the peoples' fire station guards were at home with their families enjoying the holiday dinner. But they got the word about what the city planned (the power of the grapevine) and neighborhood church bells and an air raid siren sounded the alarm. Hundreds of folks of all ages took to the streets and the city's police cars had to retreat. They are using the building as ransom, hoping to have an engine company there again.

The captured station has seen practical use, too. It served as a temporary home for people burned out of their homes, something that might have been prevented if New York's city services were up to snuff.

But the seizure of the station is really Chapter Two in this story. Chapter One is even more interesting. It tells why the Northsiders refused to take the closing of the station lying down.

Back in 1969, Mayor John Lindsay ordered 97 homes in Northside demolished to make way for the expansion of a paper box machinery company. The homes dated back 50 years and more, but the city claimed the zoning under them was industrial and the homes had to go because they were dilapidated. The jobs to be created at the industrial firm were more important than homes where three generations of families had lived.

The neighborhood fought against the grab of their homes for four years, but lost in 1973 when they were bodily evicted one moment and the bulldozers leveled their homes the next. The result of their anger was formation of a neighborhood community council, the one which helped take over the fire station. They're learning about New York politics.

Pleasanton politics are not like that and the fire department here was wants good coverage as much as any lay citizen does. But the lesson still stands for all to see. History books give us heroes like Washington and Jefferson. Unfortunately they don't tell use the real story of America at the grass roots level where we all live. In that book, the folks of Northside, standing guard in their "People's Fire Station Number One", are the real heroes of modern day American history.

—by Ron McNicoll



Dr. Lamb

DEAR DR. LAMB — My wife has a bad case of asthma, and has had it all of her life. The doctor she went to thought she would outgrow it but she is 19 now and still has the wheezing and hardness of breathing that she always had. My problem is this: I am sending her to an allergy specialist who claims that he can cure her asthma with shots and treatments to build up her resistance to her allergies.

These shots, not counting the prescriptions, are really expensive. I need to find some information or if you could tell me whether I am spending my money for nothing.

The funny catch is they told us that this treatment has to be carried on for about four

years to see results. She has been on this treatment for eight months and is in the same shape she was when she started. I would appreciate any help you could give me.

DEAR READER — I understand your concern but this is not an unusual situation for an asthmatic. A large percentage of individuals with childhood asthma do outgrow the disease, but some do not.

The cause of asthma may be an allergic type response from external allergens — somewhat like hay fever is caused by ragweed, and these cases are called extrinsic asthma. If you know what the offending allergin is, complete avoidance of it is the most effective form of treat-

ment. Unfortunately this may not be possible. Desensitization such as your wife is getting is commonly done, and it does require long term therapy for the best results. Unfortunately, no one can predict with certainty which patients will respond to the desensitization program. Since in some patients the response is dramatic it is worth trying, but you should keep in mind that even after the long trial it may not produce the hoped-for results.

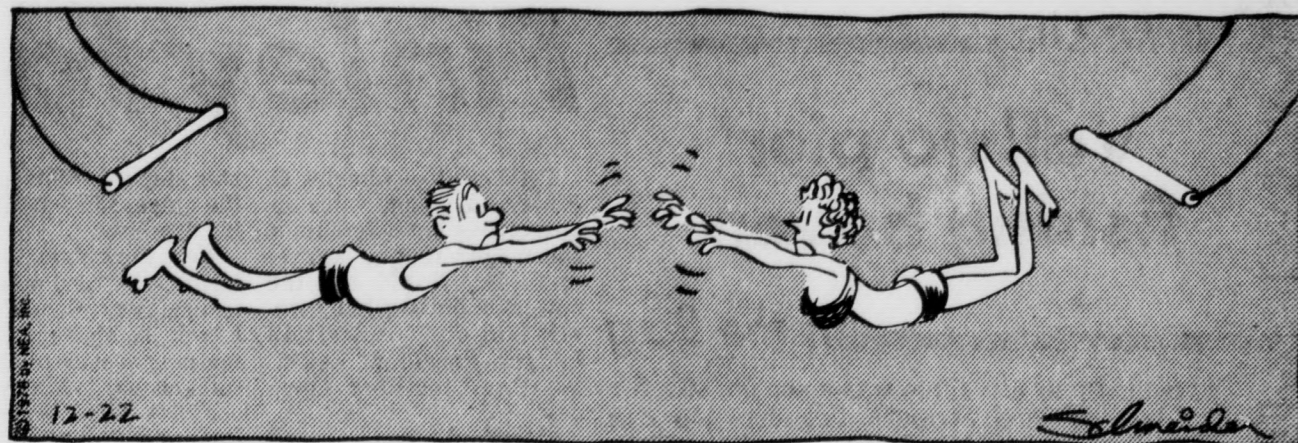
At age 19 your wife may still have considerable improvement in her condition. She should know, however, if her asthma is related to an allergic type response and if so to what allergins. If it is an allergic type asthma her doctor should know what she is allergic to — particularly if the shots are to have any benefit. The whole principle of desensitization is to inject weak solutions of the allergic substance until the body undergoes chemical changes that enable it to tolerate the

allergen without the asthmatic response.

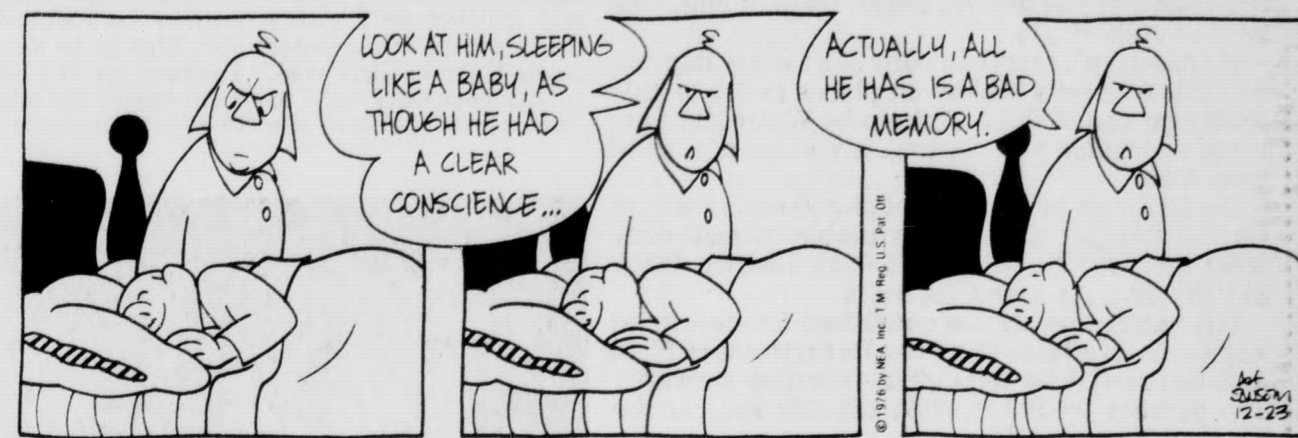
If there is no indication that your wife has allergic asthma then she probably has intrinsic asthma. In this case the desensitization program may not be very useful since an asthmatic has to accept a large part of the day to day management of his or her illness. I think she should know what her status really is. She should avoid exposure to any of the things she is allergic to. She should know what to do to treat acute attacks and what measures she can use to prevent attacks. Medicine is available for this purpose and is even used by highly skilled athletes before competition.

To give you more information I am sending you The Health Letter number 8-6, Asthma. Others who want this information can send 50 cents with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope for the information. Just send your letter to me in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019.

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THE BORN LOSER



Johnny Wonder's QUESTION CORNER

Q. "WHAT IS A FLYING FOX?"

A. A FLYING FOX IS A LARGE, FRUIT-EATING BAT THAT LIVES IN TROPICAL COUNTRIES. IT GETS ITS NAME FROM ITS FOXLIKE FACE.

JANE MERCK EAGAN, MN

A flying fox is a kind of large bat, not a fox. It is the largest flying foxes may have wings as long as four or five feet, and a body a foot long.

This bat gets its name because its face is like that of a fox, with a long and hairy muzzle. Its large, hairy body helps to increase the resemblance to a real fox.

The flying fox eats mostly fruit, and is more properly known as a fruit bat. Flying foxes live in most tropical parts of the world.

During the day they roost together in large colonies. They hang head downward from tree branches, their

wings folded around their bodies like blankets. At sundown the bats fly off in search of ripe fruit.

Unlike most other bats that must depend on the echoes of their own voices to guide them as they fly about at night, flying foxes see their way to nightly meals with eyes as sharp as those of a cat.

Milton Bradley's "Bermuda Triangle" game, World Almanac Globe, camera, radio or other prize to the first youngster sending a question used here to: Johnny Wonder (c/o this paper), Box 1335 (DA), Santa Cruz, CA. 95061. Include your age!

MOOSE MILLER



family circus



"I keep tryin' real hard to close my eyes, Mommy, but I can't get to sleep."

astrograph

For Wednesday, Dec. 22, 1976

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Good fortune could come to you in your career today. A seemingly insignificant development may be more important than you realized.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your sense of humor and philosophical outlook could extricate you from most any adverse situation today. Look for the bright side.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't be surprised if others treat you in an exceptionally generous fashion today, especially those you've gone out of your way to be nice to.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your approach to life today is not very logical and comprehensive. Stand behind your decisions because they will be solid ones that no one should question.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This could be a red-letter day where work or career is concerned. Something is in the wind that should please you considerably.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're fun to be around today. You make a lasting impression on those you meet in relaxed circumstances. They won't forget you readily.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Good fortune is yours today. Influential people in the background want to do things for you — and they will.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Some good news you've been anxiously awaiting is on its way today. Check your mailbox.

Leave word where you can be reached if you leave the phone.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A small good will investment can pay you handsome dividends later on. Follow your instincts. Cast a little bread upon the water today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You have a way of making people get involved in things in which you're vitally interested today. You won't even have to do a selling job!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If there's something you really want in your Christmas stocking today is the day to drop a few hints. Your Santa Claus will add it to his list.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Accept any invitation you get to a holiday party, even if it's with a group of people you don't know. Once you mingle, you'll have a fine time.

your birthday
Dec. 22, 1976

You'll have a more active social life this coming year. Some of those you meet in this way will be influential persons with whom you'll develop a good rapport.

(Are you a Capricorn? Bernice Osol has written a special Astro-Graph Letter for you. For your copy send 50 cents and a long self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, P.O. Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019. Be sure to ask for Capricorn Volume 1.)

crossword

ACROSS

- Cherry seed
- Milky gem
- Unconcealed
- Frozen water
- Inferior in size
- Military assistant
- Pod vegetable
- Doffs
- Auto failure
- Evil
- Explosive (abbr.)
- Dry as wine
- Woman's name
- Concerto part
- Footwear
- Here (Fr.)
- Gnaw
- Ally
- Nothing (Fr.)
- Lyrical
- Gershwin
- Exterior
- Enduring (2 wds.)
- Door clasp
- Automotive society (abbr.)

DOWN

- Make a mess of
- Dog doctor, for short
- Sobbing
- Ravish
- Weapons
- Down with (Fr., 2 wds.)
- Golfers' Shead
- Florida islets
- Penitential period
- Eon
- Seth's son
- Compass point
- Russian ruler
- Legendary bird
- Italian greeting
- Legal aid group (abbr.)
- Heating by radio
- Largest continent
- Celtic peasant
- Sway
- Tree dwelling
- Caspiian
- Sharpest
- Invitation response (abbr.)
- Sheltered side
- Flower leaf
- Mountainop
- Regarding
- Pipe
- Part of a church
- Back end
- Arizona city
- Stupid fellow
- Hank of twine

Answer to Previous Puzzle

MACACO, MILLED, MANNED, ELAINE, FRODO, SEW, TUNIS, TOMS, EKEK, RUG, SPA, KEK, SPOT, EPISODE, ROUTE, NIT, NIM, EDEN, AERATED, EFTS, ENOS, SAP, FURIES, ATTUNE, TRUANT, SERENE, LEND, TRITTER

win at bridge

Counting hand guides play

NORTH 22

AKQ 10 9 4 3
♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ 7 2
♣ 7

WEST (D) EAST

♥ J 8 7 5
♦ K 6
♣ A K Q J 8 5 3
♠ A 6

SOUTH

♥ A Q J 5 4
♦ Q 10 9 3
♣ 4 2
♠ East-West vulnerable

West North East South
1 ♠ 1 ♠ 2 ♠ 2 ♥
3 ♠ 3 ♥ 4 ♠ 4 ♥
5 ♠ Pass Pass Dbl.
Pass 5 ♥ Dbl. Pass
Pass Pass
Opening lead — K ♠

By Oswald & James Jacoby

There are lots of ways to bid today's hand. Each player has some reason to get into the bidding act.

West would wrap up his five-club contract, but you can't blame South for doubling. He had heard his partner bid twice. North realized this and ran to five hearts which East doubled.

East rather expected to score at least one diamond trick, but he had failed to allow for the possibility that his partner would be void of

that suit.

The defense started with two rounds of clubs. South ruffed in dummy and promptly lost the trump finesse to West's king. West led a trump back and South was ready to tackle spades.

He cashed his ace of spades; led his second spade and promptly finessed dummy's 10. East showed out and now South was able to discard all his diamonds on the four good spades and bring home his doubled contract.

The play looks sensational, but actually it is based on simple counting. East is marked with seven diamonds. He has shown two hearts and would not have raised clubs without three so he was left with just one spade.

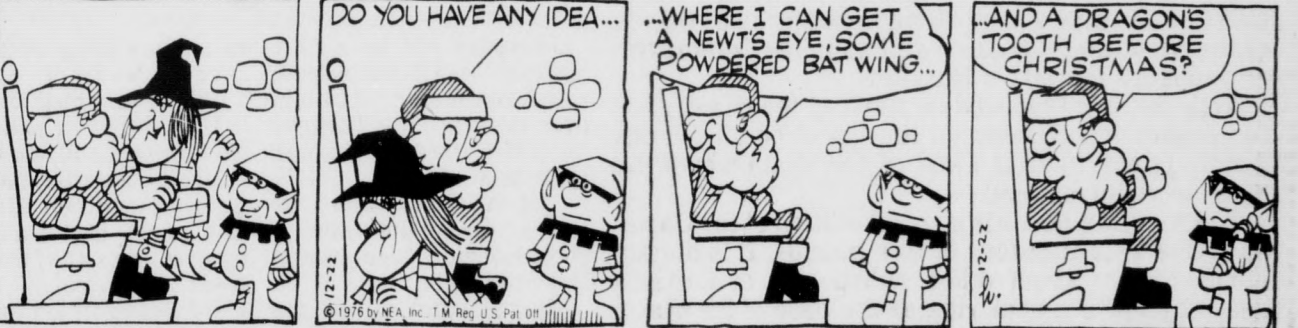
Ask the Jacobys

A Tennessee reader wants to know if we ever raise our partner with only two trumps when he has not rebid his suit.

The answer is that we do so on rare occasions when a bid is clearly called for and we can't find anything else to bid.

(For a copy of JACOBY MODERN, send \$1 to: "Win at Bridge," c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019)

SHORT RIBS



FRANK AND ERNEST



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DIDN'T HEAR IT
-- I HAD THE
TELEVISION ON.

THAVES 12-22

MR. FLUGG

by Jon Peterson

SIDE GLANCES

by Gill Fox



"I feel better since I learned that 'communication skills at the personal level' means plain, old reading and writing!"

Charlie Litz

Vallejo pier fishing haven

In the Bag

The fishing pier at Vallejo was a popular site for fishing last weekend. Strippers, flounders and Big Jack smelt were in evidence among the happy fishers. If you haven't fished there, it might be worth the short trip.

If you haven't ordered a copy of East Bay Regional Park District's booklet on places to fish in this area, you should do so. Written by Water Management Specialist Bob Nuzum, it's a one of a kind good find!

Send 35 cents for the booklet plus 25 cents postage for the "Angler's Edge," available by mail only from the East Bay Regional Park District, 11500 Skyline Blvd., Oakland, CA 94619.

Information on stream conditions for steel head anglers is available from the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) through a recorded message. The number to dial is (916) 452-3564 and can be reached 24 hours a day.

Running continuously, the 1 and 1/2 - minute - long reports provide current information on weather, stream color and a measure of river visibility in inches.

Covered in the reports, which began at midweek, are 12 north state river stations from the Smith on the north to the Russian on the south and the American River at Nimbus and the Upper Sacramento at Red Bluff.

The service is designed to help steelhead fishermen, most of whom reside many miles from fishing areas and often find streams unfishable because water conditions can change rapidly. Reports are updated every weekday morning at 10 o'clock.

The service, called the steelhead rivers report, will continue through March. It was instituted last year on an experimental basis.

Hunting for band - tailed pigeons in the general season area will close Sunday (Dec. 26), the DFG reports.

The season in 45 central and southern counties opened Dec. 11. Limits are six per day, six in possession. Shooting hours are one - half hour before sunrise to sunset.

A separate season for band - tailed pigeons in the 13 northern counties opened Oct. 2 and ran through Oct. 17.

Be sure you check out the area where you plan to hunt geese — some areas have special closures, and other areas have ended their closures.

Closed for the entire season are all of the counties of Del Norte, Humboldt and Mendocino. The Sacramento Valley closure, which ran from Oct. 23 through Dec. 14, involved portions of the counties of Glenn, Colusa, Sutter and Butte.

With the opening of these areas Wednesday parts of Stanislaus and Merced counties in the San Joaquin Valley closed to Canada goose hunting and will remain closed for the balance of the season.

The first Aleutian Canada geese moved into California late in October when the birds were observed on Castle Island near Crescent City, Del Norte County. By early November some geese had crossed the Coast Range into the Sacramento Valley.

An estimated 1,250 adults and young were observed near Colusa in the Butte Sink region of the Sacramento Valley late that month. The number was the largest seen since the initiation of the program to protect them and rebuild their numbers.

Once numbering in the tens of thousands, Aleutian Canada geese bred along the outer two - thirds of the Aleutian Islands as well as in the Commander and Kuril Islands of Russia.

Artic foxes introduced on most of the islands for fur production eliminated the geese on all except Buldir Island near the end of the chain where no foxes were introduced.

The Aleutian goose is a small edition of the Canada goose weighing four to five pounds. It is distinguished from most other subspecies of Canada geese by a white neck ring at the base of the black neck where it joins the light gray breast.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service urges persons to be on the lookout for these birds, about one - fifth of which have been fitted with numbered plastic legbands of yellow, green, blue, orange and white or combinations of two of these colors. In addition, all birds carry numbered metal bands and some have gray plastic neck collars.

Sightings should be reported to the USFWS at the Wildlife Field Station, Arcata, 95521, phone (707) 826-4759 or 826-3268; 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento 95825, phone (916) 484-4743, or to any federal or state law enforcement officer or refuge manager.

Once again, throughout the city evidence of the holiday season is everywhere. Many - colored lights, Christmas trees brightening the windows of every neighborhood, and groups of carolers strolling in the early evening — it's a happy time of year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to each of you!

Cal's Walters Prep of Week

California High School's Larry Walters came through with a brilliant performance at the Oakland Basketball Tournament in Roseville last weekend and as a result, has been named Contra Costa County's Flecto Prep of the week.

Walters canned 71 points in three games to lead the tournament's scorers. He scored 25 against Roseville, 30 against Davis and 16 against Rio Linda.

Needless to say the three-year starter was named to the All-tournament team. A senior, Larry is a 6-1, 17 pounder.

Clifford Robinson of Castlemont High of Oakland won the Alameda County award for his fine play in leading the Knights to the McClymonds Tournament championship.

He scored 65 points in the three games, including 32 in the championship tilt when the Knights took a 69-66 decision over McClymonds. Robinson was named to the All-tournament team.

Robinson, 6-8, has led Castlemont to a 10-1 record this year. Last season he made All-East Bay and All-NorCal.

Finley fought Bowie's powers

CHICAGO — Charles O. Finley was a lone voice opposing 1964 amendments to the major league agreement that broadened the powers of the baseball commissioner, American League President Lee S. MacPhail testified Tuesday.

MacPhail ended a second day on the stand in Finley's \$3.5 million suit which charges that Commissioner Bowie Kuhn unfairly voided his cash-only sale of three of his Oakland A's

star players within hours of the preseason June 15 trading deadline.

New York Yankees President Gabe Paul was in the federal courtroom of Judge Frank J. McGarr for the morning session of Finley's suit and was to testify later.

Finley tried to sell Joe Rudi and Rollie Fingers to the Boston Red Sox for \$1 million each and pitcher Vida Blue to the New York Yankees for \$1.5 million. Kuhn voided the sale June 18 after conferring by

phone with five of six members of baseball's Executive Council.

MacPhail testified Monday that Kuhn also acted against the advice of him and National League President Charles S. Feeney.

"As I recall, it was unanimous," MacPhail said of 1964 voting to accept the amendments binding owners, "with the exception of Mr. Finley."

But MacPhail said Finley did eventually sign the new agreement, despite his

vocal opposition to it.

The new Article 1, Section 4 gives the commissioner the authority to take legal action, propose legislation or do anything else to stop that "which is deemed by the commissioner not to be in the best interests of baseball."

Earlier Tuesday, former Texas Rangers owner Robert Short, of Minneapolis, testified that he once offered Finley \$1 million for pitching star Vida Blue. He testified he later nearly

traded three of his players and \$500,000 cash for Blue. Finley vetoed the first deal,

and he dropped out of the second one, Short testified. — by Associated Press

Times SPORTS

Dave Weber, Editor

Lack of money ends All-Star-Pro game

CHICAGO — The College All-Star football game which pits star rookies against the National Football League Super Bowl team is being discontinued, the sponsoring Chicago Tribune Charities Inc., said Tuesday.

The midsummer game, staged in Soldier Field since 1934, is being discontinued because of increasing expenses and uncertainties in recruiting player personnel, the organization said.

"The game simply has priced itself out of existence," said a spokesman. He also noted that last year 26 of the 55 players reporting to All-Star camp were unsigned.

"They just came in on their own, and this made their status shaky. We didn't have a hold on them. Our contract is with the National Football League, and the All-Star players always had been tied to their league clubs when they reported. Also, there is no player draft next year and

that adds to the uncertainty."

Robert H. Hunt, president of the Chicago Tribune and its Charities, said, "Problems which make continuation impossible have been created by uncertainties in recruiting player personnel and increasing expenses reflected in insurance costs that doubled last year alone because of high player salaries."

The game last summer matching the All-Stars and the Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh Steelers was the last game in the current contract between the sponsor and the NFL.

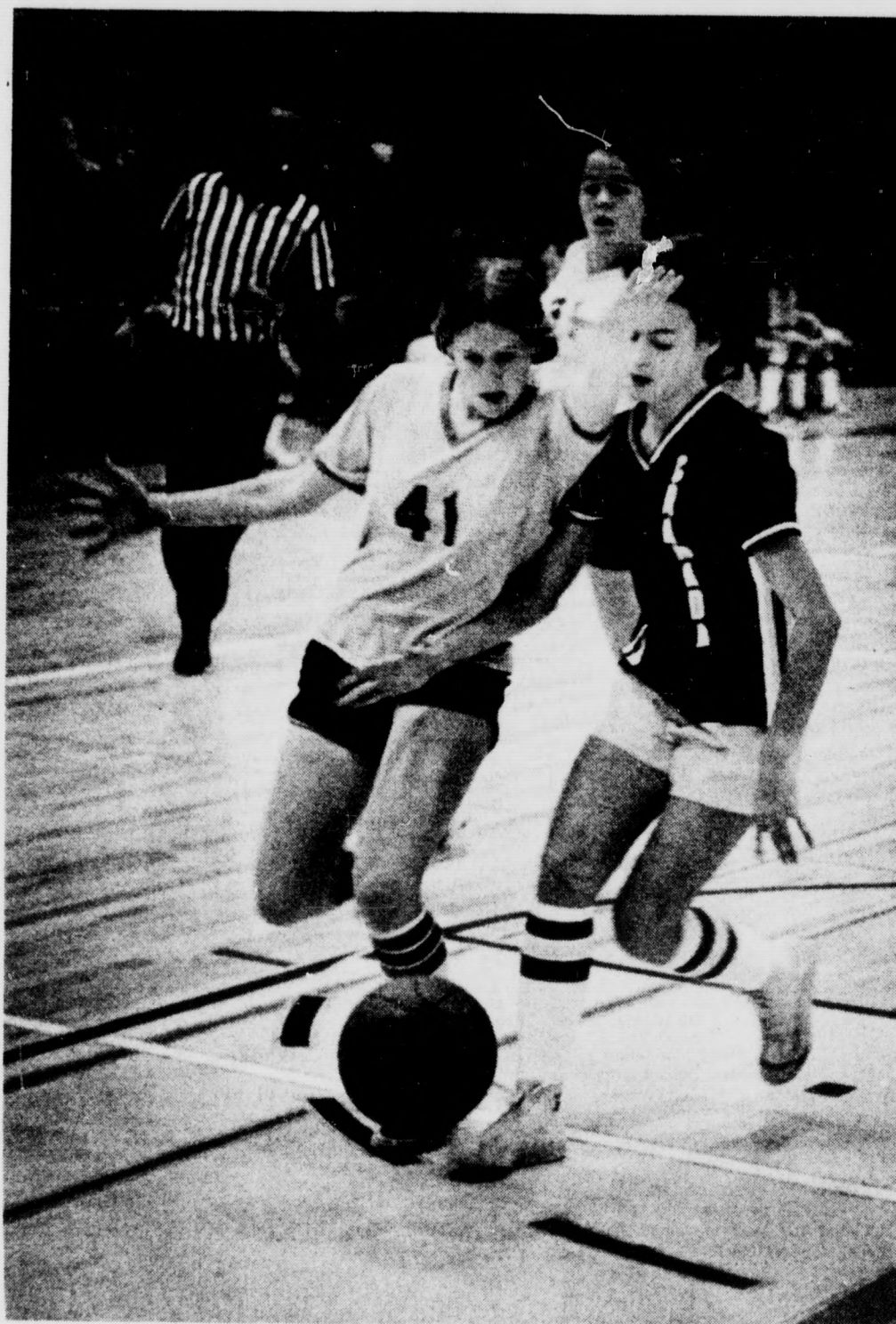
The 1975 game was wiped out by the players' strike stemming from the long-time contract dispute between the club owners and players. The 1976 game was called in the third quarter with the Steelers leading after a downpour. Hundreds of fans had streamed onto the artificial turf, splashing and skidding around and tearing down the goal posts.

An NFL spokesman in New York said the future of the game would be discussed at a meeting in Seattle in conjunction with the Jan. 17 Pro Bowl game or, more likely, at the league's annual meeting next March in Phoenix, Ariz. Among the possibilities, the league could take over the game itself or another charity or organization could come forward to sponsor it.

The game was created by the late Arch Ward, sports editor of The Chicago Tribune, and was held annually except for 1975. It has raised about \$4 million for charity.

The NFL champions piled up a 31-9 edge in the series. The collegians' last victory was over the Green Bay Packers in 1963.

— by Associated Press



Paula Soto of Granada (dark jersey) and Washington's Lanette Pritchard (41) scramble for the ball in last night's basketball game at the Matadors' gym. Complete results of the contest will be in tomorrow's Times.

Big first half sparks Pizza Arcade

Jumping off to a 28-7 halftime lead Pizza Arcade rolled to an easy 52-14 win over the Flaming Turkeys in Tri-Cities basketball over the weekend.

Ted Aderson scored 20 points to spark the winners. Rich Rochin added 10 and Ron Sigg eight.

Reggie Mitchell was the only Flaming Turkey player in double figures.

This losers could only add seven points to their total in the second half.

In another one-sided contest Bill Muldoon canned 21 points in leading Straw Hat

to a convincing 46-31 win over the No Stars. Bill Vane added 14.

Hugh Moncur paced the No Stars with 10 markers.

Dependable Heating and Cooling jumped off to a 29-17 first half lead then hung on for a 47-44 win over Red Carpet Realty.

Ed Bottoroff led the winners with 16 points and Jerry Sandoval added 11.

Bob Nielsen paced a balanced Realty attack with 13 points. Pat Duke added 12 and Joe Barbera 11.

Columbus Realty's 22-point first half explosion

was enough to down Past Time Pool Castle 45-39.

Both teams hit for 23 markers in the second half but the winners' six-point halftime advantage held up.

Kevin Sanck led the winners with 20 points.

PIZZA ARCADE (52)
Aderson 8 2-4 18; Rochin, 5 0-0 10; Sigg 4 0-3 8; Way 2 1-3 5; Barrett 2 0-4 4; Mayer 2 1-4 5; Livermore, 0 2-3 2; TOTALS 23 6-17 52.

FLAMING TURKEYS (14)
Mitchell 4 2-3 10; Kee 2 0-0 4; Hartley 0 1-2 0-0; Green, 0 0-0 0; Melius, 0 0-0 0; TOTALS 6 2-3 14.

PIZZA ARCADE 28 24 — 52
Flaming Turkeys 7 7 — 14
Fouled out, Mitchell, Green.

DEPENDABLE HEATING AND COOLING (47)
Bottoroff, 4 8-9 16; Sandoval 4 3-4 11; Chapman 3 0-3 6; Knight 2 0-4 4; Kone 2 0-0 4; Haxby 1 2-2 4; Watkins 1 0-0 2; TOTALS 17 13-18 47.

RED CARPET REALTY (44)
Nielsen, 4 5-6 13; Duke 6 0-0 12; Barbera 5 1-4 11; Durkin, 2 2-3 6; Givens 1 0-0 2; TOTALS, 18 8-14 44.

Dep. Hing & Coing 29 18 — 47
Red Carpet Realty 17 27 — 44
COLUMBUS REALTY (45)
Sanck 6 6-9 20; Sanck, 3 5-5 11; Gromely 3 2-3 8; Alcalde 2 0-1 4; McCart 1 0-0 2; TOTALS 15 15-17 45.

PAST TIME POOL CASTLE (39)
Sage 5 4-4 14; Reichmuth 4 0-0 8; Harris 1 3-4 5; Walker, 2 0-0 4; Snyder 0 2-2 2; Harris, 1 0-0 2; M. Snyder, 1 0-0 2; Smiley 1 0-0 2; McGarry, 0 0-0 0; Miller, 0 0-0 0; TOTALS 15 9-10 30.

Colms Realty 22 23 — 45
Pool-Castle 16 23 — 39
Fouled out, Reichmuth.

RUBBER ENTERPRISES (52)
Albano 6 2-4 14; Herrera 5 0-0 10; White 3 0-0 6; Wallace 2 2-3 6; Tussy 2 0-0 4; Bailly 1 2-2 4; Roughie 1 0-0 2; Donis 1 0-0 2; Morrison 1 0-0 2; TOTALS 23 8-9 52.

"Hurricane" found guilty of first-degree murder

PATERSON, N.J. — Rubin "Hurricane" Carter and John Artis each were found guilty of three counts of first-degree murder here Tuesday.

The jury deliberated 9 hours and 15 minutes before returning the verdict at 9 p.m. in the retrial of Carter, a former middleweight boxer, and his codefendant.

Carter and Artis were convicted of murder in 1967. They spent nine years in prison before the New Jersey Supreme Court ordered a new trial this year, ruling that the prosecution withheld evidence from the defense at the first trial.

In charging the jury, Superior Court Judge Bruno Leopizzi referred to testimony by Alfred Bello, the only witness to place Carter and Artis at

the Lafayette Bar & Grill where three persons were murdered in a shootout 10 years ago. Bello later retracted the identifications, then changed his mind about the retraction.

Bello has said he and a companion were breaking into a nearby factory when he saw two black men running from the tavern after the shootout. He said he stole money from the bar's cash register before police arrived.

The defense claimed police elicited the identifications from Bello to support a theory that Carter and Artis committed the murders to avenge the slaying of a black man by a white man hours earlier. Carter and Artis are black.

— by Associated Press

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5:30 PUBLIC AFFAIRS
5:55 FARM MARKET
REPORT
6:00 VARIOUS EDUCATIONAL FILMS
6:05 SUNRISE
6:10 NEWS
6:20 COLLEGE BY T.V.
From Chant to Chance
6:25 DAY'S BEGINNING
6:30 TIT TINTIN
EDUCATIONAL
FILMS
JEANNE'S KIT-CHEN
READING
FESTIVAL
OPEN MATH
SEMESTER
EN LA COM-UNIDAD
HAZEL
NOT FOR WOMEN ONLY
6:50 NEWS
7:00 CARTOON TOWN
7:05 TODAY SHOW
7:10 CBS NEWS
7:15 GOOD MORNING AMERICA
7:20 STOCK MARKET
7:25 CAP'S CAROONS
7:30 COMMUNITY CALENDAR
7:35 NEWS
7:40 CBS NEWS
7:45 MONEY MARKET
7:50 REPORT
8:00 PORKY AND FRIENDS
8:05 CAPTAIN KANGAROO
8:10 LILIAS, YOGA AND YOU
8:15 COMMODITIES
8:20 BANANA SPLITS
8:25 NEWS
8:30 ROMPER ROOM
8:35 TODAY
8:40 INFINITY FACTORY
8:45 STOCK AND BOND REPORT
8:50 LASSIE
9:00 PHIL DONAHUE SHOW
9:05 TATTALETES
9:10 SANFORD AND SON
9:15 FAMILY AFFAIR
9:20 A M SAN FRANCISCO
9:25 SESAME STREET
9:30 AT 10:10
9:35 PLEASE DON'T EAT THE DAISIES
9:40 I DREAM OF JEAN-NE
9:45 CORPORATE REPORT
9:50 FLINTSTONES
9:55 HOLLYWOOD SQUARES
10:00 KATHRYN CROSBY SHOW
10:05 PRICE IS RIGHT
10:10 THAT GIRL
10:15 MORNING SCENE
10:20 SIGN OFF
10:25 YOGA FOR HEALTH
10:30 LUCY SHOW
10:35 MOVIE "Captain Newman, M.D." 1963
Gregory Peck, Angie Dickinson. The head of neuro-psychiatry at an army base is more concerned about his patients than pleasing the brass.
10:40 WHEEL OF FORTUNE
10:45 DOUBLE DARE
10:50 I DREAM OF JEAN-NE
10:55 PUBLIC AFFAIRS
11:00 MOVIE "Keys to the Kingdom" Part II 1944
Gregory Peck, Vincent Price. Film based on A.J. Cronin's novel about the life of a missionary.
11:05 STUMPERS
11:10 LOVE OF LIFE
11:15 HAPPY DAYS
11:20 MIKE DOUGLAS SHOW
11:25 CBS NEWS
11:30 CROSSWITS
11:35 THE RESTLESS
11:40 DON HO SHOW
11:45 NOT FOR WOMEN ONLY
11:50 GONG SHOW
11:55 SEARCH FOR TOMORROW
12:00 FAMILY FEEL
12:05 NEWSTALK
12:10 NBC NEWS
12:15 NEWS

AFTERNOON

12:00 BIG VALLEY
12:05 CBS NEWS
12:10 PYRAMID
12:15 700 CLUB
12:20 PLAYHOUSE 36
"Slaughter of the Vampires" 1962. William Brandy, Dieter Eppler. Earth must battle vampires that have invaded.
12:25 DICK VAN DYKE SHOW
12:30 LITTLE RASCALS
12:35 PHIL DONAHUE SHOW
12:40 DAYS OF OUR LIVES
12:45 AS THE WORLD ROLLS
12:50 ALL MY CHILDREN
12:55 TELL THE TRUTH
1:00 ANDY GRIFFITH SHOW
1:05 LEAVE IT TO BEAVER
1:10 MOVIE "A Christmas Carol" 1951
Alistair Sim, Kathleen Harrison. Film based on Dickens' classic of a miserly man who is transformed by the spirits of Christmas past, present and future.
1:15 BEVERLY HILLSBILLIES
1:20 NEWS
1:25 DOCTORS
1:30 GUIDING LIGHT
1:35 ONE LIFE TO LIVE
1:40 CHARISMA
1:45 MOVIE "Eternity Yours" 1969
Loretta Young, David Niven. A magician sees a beautiful girl during one of his shows and decides that this is the girl for him.
1:50 GOMER PYLE
2:00 WORLD
2:05 ALL IN THE FAMILY
2:10 CINEMA
2:15 HUCK AND YOGI
2:20 GENERAL
2:25 MATCH GAME
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3:10 NEWS
3:15 BULLWINKLE
3:20 MERRY GRIFFIN
3:25 ROBERT YOUNG
3:30 HOLLYWOOD SQUARES
3:35 MOVIE "Flippers" 1964
Brian Kelley, Luke Halpin. A boy runs away with his pet dolphin when he learns the dolphin is being sent to an aquarium.
3:40 LILIAS, YOGA AND YOU
3:45 IRONSIDE
3:50 ALL MY CHILDREN
3:55 MOVIE "Life Begins at 40" 1955
Will Rogers, Slim Summerville. Newspaper owner, protecting a young man who was falsely accused of a crime, gets involved in the politics of the town.
4:00 POPEYE AND BUGS BUNNY
4:05 BATMAN
4:10 SANFORD AND SON
4:15 SESAME STREET
4:20 MIKE DOUGLAS
4:25 AFTER SCHOOL SPECIAL
4:30 MARTY THREE SONS
4:35 LOST THORNS
4:40 HOWDY DOODY
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4:50 MUNDO DE JUQUETE
4:55 GILLIGAN'S ISLAND
5:00 MARY HARTMAN, MARY HARTMAN
5:05 MIKE DOUGLAS
5:10 ADAM 12
5:15 FAMILY AFFAIR
5:20 PART 10
5:25 SUBMIT REDEMPTION
5:30 NEWS
5:35 SWITCHED
5:40 IRONSIDE
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6:00 MARY HARTMAN, MARY HARTMAN
6:05 BRADY BUNCH
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6:15 ERWITCHED
6:20 ELECTRIC COMPANY
6:25 NEWS
6:30 CBS NEWS
6:35 GET SMART
6:40 NOGANS HEROES
6:45 NOTICIERO
6:50 EVENING
6:55 ODD COUPLE
7:00 NBC NEWS
7:05 NEWS
7:10 ZOOM
7:15 MOVIE "Just For You" 1952
Bing Crosby, Jane Wyman. A big time theater producer, who has too little time for his teenage children, learns to find time with the assistance of his show's star.
7:20 CBS NEWS
7:25 MOVIE "Incident on a Dark Street" 1972
James Olson, William Shatner. A U.S. Army doctor searches for a link between organized crime and corrupt city officials.
7:30 STAR TREK "Mark of Gideon"
7:35 EMERGENCY ONE
7:40 E. HUIO DE ANGELA MARIA
7:45 LUCY SHOW
7:50 CBS NEWS
7:55 VILLA ALLEGRE
8:00 MERV GRIFFIN
8:05 Grand, Marilyn and Allen Bergman, Bobby Troup, Kinky Friedman
8:10 M. LLAMAN GOR-RION
8:15 STAR TREK "Assignment Earth"
8:20 WEEKNIGHT
8:25 NBC NEWS
8:30 ABC NEWS
8:35 MACNEIL-LEHRER REPORT
8:40 CONCENTRATION
8:45 F.B.I.
8:50 ADAM 12
8:55 SPECIAL "Siberia, the Endless Horizon"
9:00 \$25,000 PYRAMID
9:05 EVENING SHOW
9:10 CALIFORNIA COUNTRY TOWN CHAMPIONSHIP
9:15 NEWS
9:20 NAME THAT TUNE
9:25 LA VORAGINE
9:30 HOGAN'S HEROES
9:35 NEWS
9:40 NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC "A Yankee Sails Across Europe"
9:45 C. P. O. SHARKEY
9:50 "The Dear John Letter" While helping a recruit write a "Dear Martha" letter, Sharkey is interrupted and Chief Robinson sees the unfinished note and misunderstands.
9:55 CHRISTMAS DREAM "A Story About Grandpa" Tabachon and Babette
10:00 THE BIONIC WOMAN
10:05 "Jaime's Shield" Part II: Working undercover as a rookie cop, Jaime is unaware that the foreign agent infiltrator she seeks has spotted her first and ordered her death.
10:10 ONCE UPON A CLASSIC "Heidi" Episodic Four. Herr Sesemann returns home and is pleased with the children's report but Heidi becomes physically affected by homesickness and the doctor advises that she return home to her grandfather at once.
10:15 GOOD TIMES "J.J.'s debut into the field of theatrical management is less than a smashing success, when his singing group walks out on him, but he bounces back with a vocal discovery he calls 'the great white hope.'"
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Jimmie Walker, left, playing J.J., launches his career as a show business manager for a performer, Judith Cohen, right, on "Good Times" Wednesday night at 8 p.m. on Channels 5 and 10.

Fresno tourney

Ballistic United wins title

FRESNO — Pleasanton's Ballistic United 10 team soccer team captured the Fresno Holiday Tournament last weekend here, competing against teams from across the state.

Ballistic United won the championship with a thrilling sudden-death win over the Livermore Clippers. Ballistic won the four previous games, scoring 20 goals and allowing one. — Mike Dueter converted in overtime for the winners. Livermore's first attempt was turned back by Ballistic goalkeeper Chris Poulos.

Dueter scored 13 goals over the tournament as Dan Potts and Todd Skinner each contributed strong scoring efforts.

Shawn Salazar and Nicky Martins completely dominated midfield. Steven Woodfull led the defense. Eric Wood stood out for Livermore. Other top United performers were Mike Seller, Greg Bazan and Mitch Wilkinson.

Ballistic United's under-12 team fell to the C.A.L. Wolverines 3-2 in the finals.

Before losing to the Wolverines Ballistic United scored 21 goals and earned four shutouts in the competition.

Despite the loss to the Wolverines the Ballistic squad outshot the winners 31-8. Karl Kesterke and Scott Mandel scored the goals for the winners. Sean Moore and Mel Grisel assisted.

Andy Eelsing had five saves in goal for the losers.

Leading up to the Wolverine match Ballistic United trounced the Fresno Viking Roadrunners 7-0, the Lafayette Lancers 7-0 and the Sacramento Capitals 5-0.

Mike Delaray had a hat trick for Ballistic in the win over the Lancers. Karl Kesterke added a pair of goals. Steve Devine and Mel Grisel added the other goals for the victors.

Kesterke, Mark Andrews and Grisel each scored a pair of goals for Ballistic against the Viking Roadrunners. Delaray added a goal and three assists.

In the Capitals contest Delaray led the scoring

with with four goals and Grisel added the fifth score. Kesterke, Andrews and Andy Eelsing each had an assist.

Ballistic United edged out Ballistic National 2-0 in another contest.

Delaray scored both goals in the contest.

In under 14-action the Dublin Shamrocks won four of five matches, losing only a 2-1 decision to the Sierra Warriors.

The loss to the Warriors came in overtime with penalty kicks deciding the contest. Todd Vitale scored for the Shamrocks and Danny Bynum did a good job as goalie.

The Shamrocks took a 1-0 decision over the Concord Wolverines when Jimmy

Hitcher scored a goal in the second half. Bynum added 11 saves in goal for the winners.

Chris Karels scored the Shamrocks' goal in a 1-0 decision over the Twin Cubs. Jim Grant added an assist. Stephen McDonald and Brian McDonald also played well for the winners.

Grant and Karels each scored for the Shamrocks in a 2-0 shutout of the Ahwahnee Aardvarks. David Snyder added seven saves.

Todd Vitale and Jim Santos each scored goals as the Shamrocks won the consolation championship with a 2-0 win over the Van Nuys Valley Eagles. Snyder added 17 saves for the winners.

Livermore girls find new talent

After graduating three starters, Livermore High School Girl's Basketball might be expected to drop off in quality this year from a 1976 season record of 13-4, a second place finish in the East Bay Athletic League, and two wins over league champion Monte Vista.

Coach Diane Staedel doesn't think so. Her most difficult job will be replacing the three girls who have started for the Cowboys each of the last four years. Gone are all-league forward Lynette White, and oftentimes Prep-of-the-week - award-winning guards Peggy Baker and Ann Wondolowski. White and Baker are now playing for Cal State Long Beach, while Wondolowski is on the Cal Berkeley team.

Coach Staedel will look to a good selection of talent from last year's reserves, and undefeated J.V. team, and several new girls, to find three new starters to go with returning center Patty Shirley and forward Janice Paxiao. Shirley and Paxiao will continue to give the Cowgirls good rebounding and an inside scoring threat. Shirley at 5'11" is a sophomore who led the team in rebounding last year, and was the third

leading scorer. Senior forward Paxiao is 5'7" and can leap high on the boards. Her shooting is much improved and she is considered a scoring threat from anywhere around the key area.

Rounding out the starting five will be senior guard Janet Volkman, an experienced two year letterman; junior Diane Leri, a third year guard; and Kim Bannan, a 5'6" junior who starred on the Cowgirls championship J.V. team last year.

Also up from last year's J.V. squad are guard Lee Hardimen and forward Sue Goodman. Four new players to Livermore basketball will add depth to a very inexperienced team. Kimi Takano is an exchange student from Japan who has played on a club team in her home town. At 5'5" Takano will see time at both the guard and forward positions. Michelle Aubuchon and Suzanne Brearcliffe, seniors who are 5'8" and 5'9" respectively, have had no high school basketball experience. The lone freshman to make this year's varsity is 5'7" forward Gretchen Hoenig.

"We will miss the quickness, teamwork, and out-

side shooting of our graduates, but our potential this year is so great that we can easily overcome this loss," Staedel said. "We have more total talent than ever before, but it is inexperienced and they have not worked together. If this team works hard enough, and wants it badly enough, they could become one of the real championship threats in the EBAL this year."

Staedel views Amador as the team to beat. "Amador has so much talent, is experienced, and well-coached. They will be tough for any team to control. Monte Vista is always a sound team and will vie with Dublin and Amador for the top spot. Dublin has a tall team and an excellent defense. Monte Vista has the outside shooters. Our hope is that we can develop the balance needed to contend with each type of team."

The junior varsity team will defend its EBAL Championship with a new coach and a 90 per cent new team. Jan Schoeneke, who played basketball for the University of Oklahoma, will try to rebuild her team after losing all but five players.

SAN FRANCISCO — The

sponsoring Shriners are promising "five hours of football and fun," and the coaches are promising the football will be all business to the players involved in the 52nd East-West Game.

"The players enjoy themselves while they're here and the game is a great spectacle, but once the players step onto the field their minds are on football," Boston College Coach Joe Yukica said at Tuesday's East-West coaches' luncheon.

Yukica, head coach of the East team for the game scheduled Jan. 2 at Stanford Stadium, was an assistant coach in the game two years ago.

He remembers the case

of Mike Williams, a defensive back from LSU.

"Mike brought his wife out here with him, and in practices, it seemed we didn't see much of Mike. I had no idea what he could do, how good he was," Yukica said.

"In the game, when the first pass was thrown, he was there to bat it down. He played a great game and was a No. 1 draft choice of the San Diego Chargers."

The players in the 52nd East-West Game include several sure to be first-round choices in the National Football League draft, including California quarterback Joe

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Personals
TWO TENNIS players, seeking female tennis players, 462-4797.

3. Lost & Found

FOUND: Basset Hound, male, Vic. Alcosta Blvd., San Ramon, 12/14/76, 828-0562.

3. Lost & Found

FOUND: Child's jacket at Play-ground on Vineyard Ave., Pleas. Call & identify, 846-5464.

FOUND: Dec. 13th, small, male, Chihuahua mix "7". Brindle tan w/blk. saddle. Near Kimball Ave. Dub. Call 829-0817.

FOUND: Dec. 10th, silver, long haired female kitten. Vic. Echo Park area. Dublin. 828-3173.

3. Lost & Found

FOUND: Dec. 20th, male brindle Whippet. Vic. Main St. Pleas. Call 862-2108.

FOUND: Dec. 20th, brown male Dachshund. Vic. Val Vista area. 839-0066 bet. 7-3p.m.

FOUND: Dec. 18th, male gold wedding band w/inscription. Vic. San Ramon Xmas Tree Farm. Please identify. 828-1120.

3. Lost & Found

FOUND: Grey & white cat, Stoneridge. Pleasanton area. 12/11/76, 846-4377.

FOUND: Springtown Golf Course. Dec. 19th, large dog collar w/rabies tag. Call 447-5900.

FOUND: 12/13/76 behind Alpha Beta in Livermore, Manx Tom cat, call 455-6788.

LOST: Dec. 14, male marble color Whippet dog. Hard of hearing. Vic. Alcosta Blvd. S.R. 829-1166.

LOST: Dec. 14th, Schipperke Terrier, black male. Vic. Dub. San Ramon area. Reward. 829-2171.

LOST: Vic. Hungry Hunter nr. Pleas. lg. white Persian cat, named "MAX". \$50 REWARD. Contact: Harry Linn, call 1-915-949-2948 before Jan. 1st. Aft. Jan. 1st, call 1-503-343-7466.

31. Temporary/Part-Time

COORDINATOR OF VOLUNTEERS, working in child abuse prevention, part time, resident of the Valley & parent preferred. Request application from Prenatal Stress Service Inc., 154 Santa Clara Ave., Oakland, 94610.

32. Salespeople
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD, \$2.75 hrly, 2 days per wk. + sick days as needed, 4-5 hrs. ea. day. Apply at Pleas. Police Dept., Main St., before Jan. 1.

33. Employment Agencies
START THE NEW YEAR WITH A JOB FROM DIABLO

CALL MARY OR SHARON 828-6620
6990 Village Pkwy Dublin
Equal Opportunity agency m/f

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8. Services Offered
ATTENTION, EXPERT appliance work. Call now. Everything is price. Call anytime, day or night. 443-6325.

ELECTRICIAN Residential & Commercial wiring, burglar alarms. Free Est. Ron Tyler. 829-1035.

FIX-ALL
Install & repair appliances, heating, plumbing, cprty. & electrical. 828-4334.

GENERAL CARPENTRY, Remodeling, repairs, no job too small. Sam. 828-1826.

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We have specialists to service your every need.

10. Building Services
E.P.R. DEILY CO.
Carpentry, Drywall, Taping, & Painting, old & new residential & commercial. (Lic. B1328355). Insur. & Bonded. 685-3123.

13. Hauling
HAVE TRUCK WILL HAUL
Light hauling, Rubbish Removal & Light Carpentry. 443-8177 if no answer 843-4666.

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INSTRUCTION
22. Instruction
EXPERIENCED piano & organ instruction in your home. Call Wes Chapman at 443-0709.

26. Licensed Day Care
ARK CHILD Center, 846-1466
3955 Vineyard Ave., Pleas. Day Care & Pre School avail. Sliding scale fees avail.

WONDERFUL WORLD OF LEARNING
Pre-School & day care, 2 1/2 - 6 yrs. AM-PM programs including hot lunches. Across from Dub. Elem. School, 8010 Holanda Ln. Dublin. 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. 828-4454.

HURRY FOR XMAS!
Registered Irish Setter, approx. 1 yr. old, female. Very affectionate. Make offer. Call 846-0287.

38. Horses
(1) 9 yr. Reg. Mare \$500; 2 1/2 yr. Reg. Filly, started & good show prospect, \$1000; (1) Blk. Mare, \$250; 6 mo. Colt, \$100. Motorcycle trailer \$50; Used lumber 3x4, 4x6's. (209) 835-8186.

40. Supplies & Services
ALFALFA, OATS & STRAW
1 ton minimum.
355-4359 eves.

BIG YEAR END SALE
We have everything. New & used saddles, pads, bridles, blankets, etc. Ponies, \$15 & up. Colts, \$35 & up, horses \$125 & up. Buy here & save! 10730 Crow Canyon Rd., Castro Valley, near 680.
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HUNTER seat "Hartford" English saddle with full bridle & 3 pads. Excel. cond. \$250 or best offer. 846-9466.

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MERCHANDISE
45. Antiques
CARNIVAL GLASS beaut. Holiday table settings-14 dinner plates, misc. Marigold Lustre. 828-8543.

47. Television & Stereo
MAGNAVOX, 19 in. color portable TV, solid state circuitry. \$225. Call 455-6010.

ZENITH 25" Cromacolor console, \$250. Call 455-6010.

48. Home Furnishings
BEDS BEDS BEDS
Brand new irregulars, mismatch odds & ends, hundreds in stock, all sizes of soft, medium, firm, extra firm. 4 Bay Area mattress makers ship us their irregulars just for this event. MISMATCH sets: twins \$39.00, fulls \$49.00, fulls \$59.00, Queens \$99. Kings \$110. MATTRESS ONLY: Twins \$25-\$44, Fulls \$30-\$53, Queens \$55-\$75, Kings \$75-\$115. WE GUARANTEE: NO INTERNAL DAMAGE. Problems so minor we'll need to point them out. Bank cards O.K. OPEN Weekdays 11-8 p.m., Sat. 10-5 p.m., closed Sun.

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1348 Galindo St., Con. 676-5026

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MENS shirts & T-shirts all new, all sizes. Close out of entire store stock at below wholesale. My home. 447-7471.

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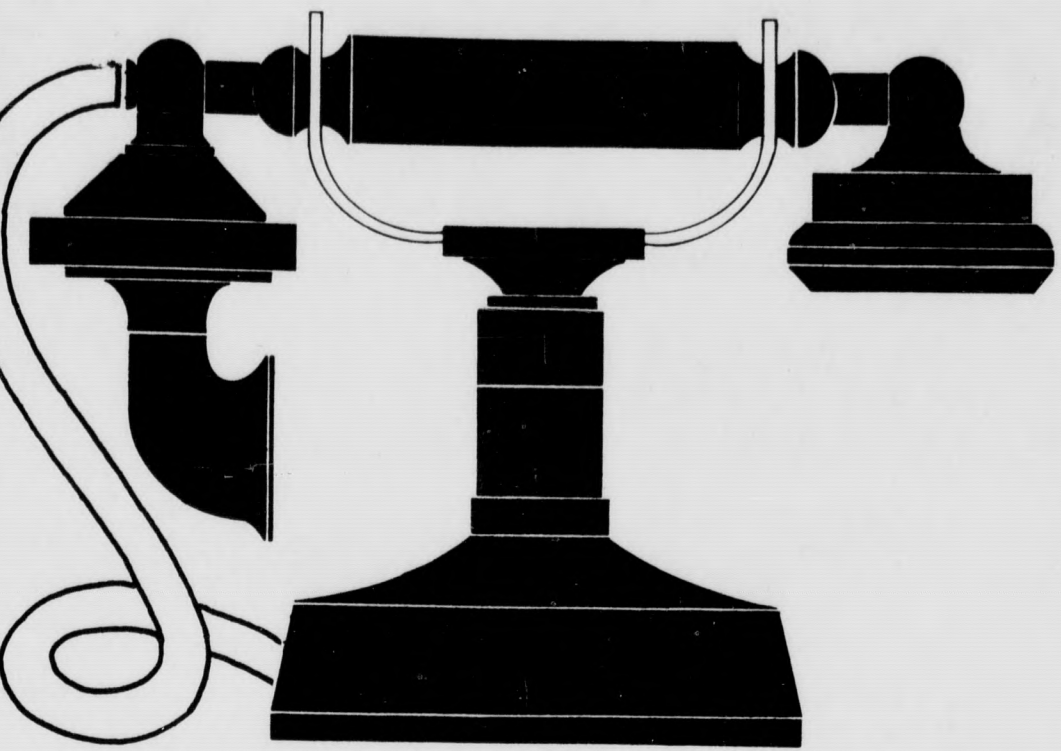
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3 LEVEL, 2 train n' gage railroad layout, eng. 17 cars, wired ready for landscaping, Art. 6 p.m. 829-0189.

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1 BDRM. house, unfurnished, near shopping, 846-2016.

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Better Homes Realty 287 Bernal Ave. Pleasanton 462-4200

FOR SALE, BY OWNER: 3 bdrm., 1 1/2 bath, lg. lot & lg. shop. Call for appt. between 9:30-5:30 p.m. \$36,950, 443-8384.

GOLD Beautiful Sunset Gardinia model, 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with custom pool. Home is color coordinated with basic gold color. Upgraded carpets & many other exciting features. \$65,950.

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HISTORICAL AREA 1/4 acre, mature trees, lg. detached garage with workbench, sprinklers, front & rear. New roof & stucco. NEW CPTS. & drps. 2 fireplace, 4 bdrm., 2 bath, new kitchen counters & stainless steel sink, dishwasher & disposal. New no-wax kitchen floor, full termite inspection & compliance. Broker's cooperation. Trades considered for commercial or residential. 248 Trevano Rd., \$82,500. Call 443-3532.

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In this lovely Silvertip model located on 1/4 acre lot surrounded by a vineyard, professional landscaping in front, above ground pool in back and side yard access. Custom drapes, and upgraded carpets in all 4 bedrooms, plus 2 1/2 baths. 1 Year Warranty. Call us Quick! \$81,950.

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SPRINGTOWN Lovely retirement home with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath situated in quiet neighborhood, low maintenance landscaping. Priced for quick sale. \$37,950.

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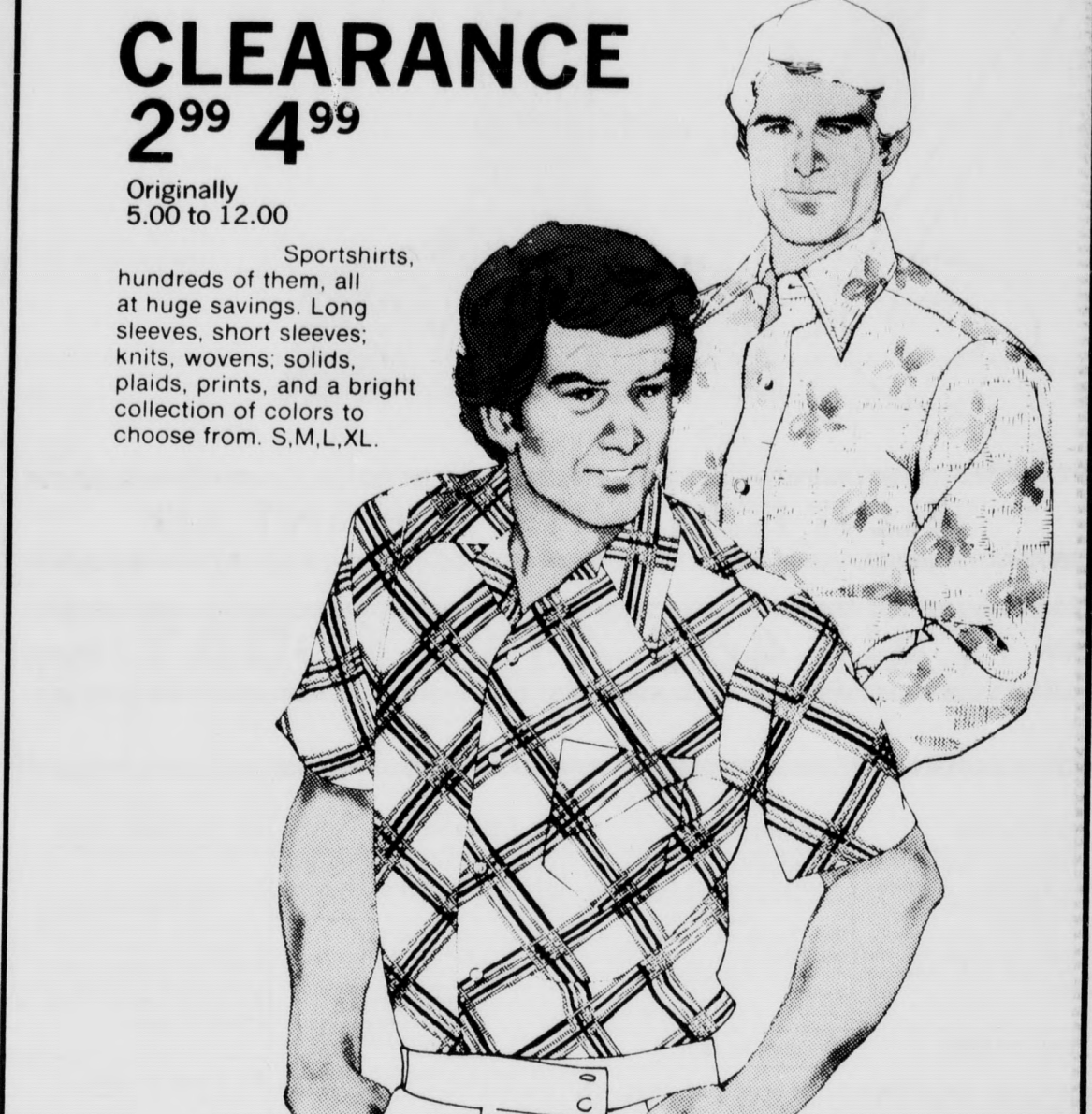
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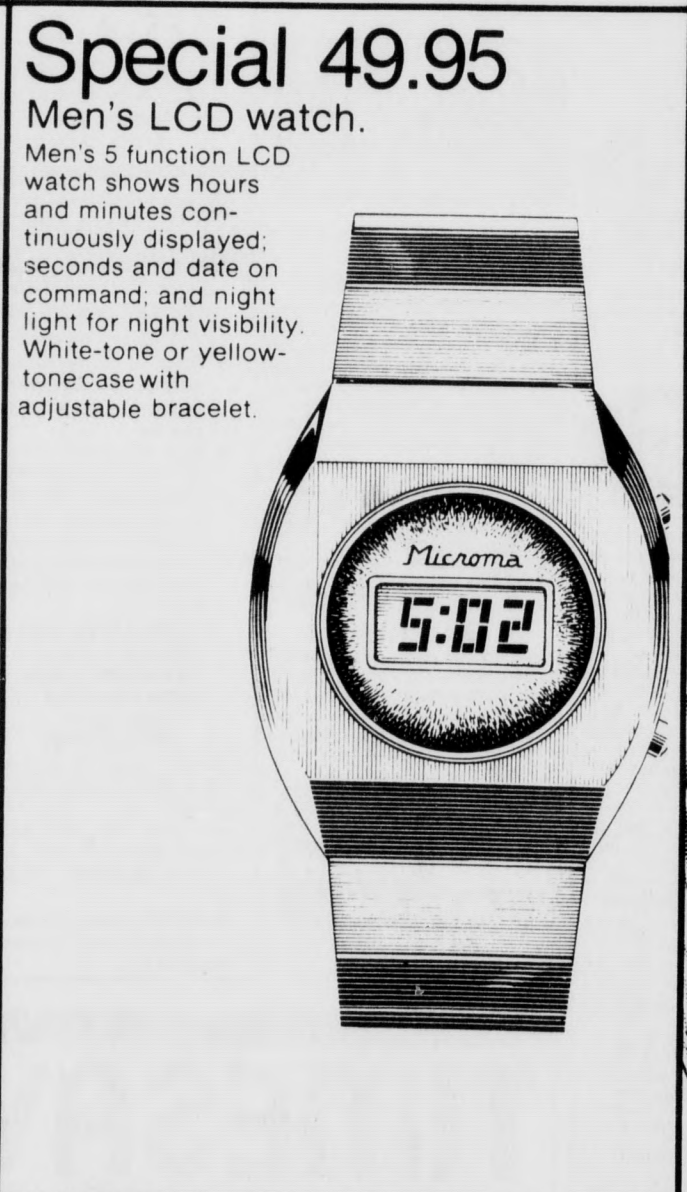
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